

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND  
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M-36543-2021  
Date of decision: 07.09.2021**

**Sarwan Singh Hayer**

**...Petitioner**

**Versus**

**State of Punjab and another**

**...Respondents**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN**

Present:- Mr. S. P. Soi, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

**ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)**

Prayer in this petition is for issuance of a direction to the trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously, which is pending since 2016.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the challan was presented on 31.07.2018, however, till date, the trial Court has not concluded the trial.

Learned counsel for the petitioner relies upon some zimini orders, passed by the trial Court, to submit that a majority of the orders shows that the prosecution witnesses were not present and the case was adjourned.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and does not dispute the factual position.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Though on the face of it, it is apparent that some of the dates were given due to COVID-19 situation in the country, however, keeping in

view the fact that the petitioner is facing trial from since long, this petition is disposed of with a direction to trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously, preferably within a period of one year from today.

07.09.2021

*Waseem Ansari*

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)  
JUDGE

*Whether speaking/reasoned*

*Yes/No*

*Whether reportable*

*Yes/No*