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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.39879 of 2020 (O&M)

Date of decision: 11.02.2021

Jatinder Singh @ Neelu

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. Vishal Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN J. (Oral)

After arguing the matter for some time and in view of the fact that the co-accused of the petitioner already stands convicted whereas the petitioner was declared as proclaimed offender at one point of time and was later on, arrested, counsel for the petitioner submits that considering the fact that out of 08 prosecution witnesses, 05 PWs has already been examined and the next date of hearing, fixed before the trial Court, is 15.02.2021 and as the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 02 years and 05 months, the trial Court be directed to conclude the trial at the earliest.

Counsel for the State has filed the Custody Certificate and as per the Custody Certificate, the petitioner is involved in one more case registered under the NDPS Act.

Heard.

Considering the fact that the petitioner is in long custody for the last more than 02 years and 05 months and only 05 PWs have been examined so far, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously within a period of 04 months from today.

**(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE**

11.02.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No