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

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Date of decision: June 02, 2022.**

Lovepreet @ Lovi

... Appellant

Versus

State of U.T. Chandigarh

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL**

**PRESENT: None for the appellant.**

**Mr.Deepinder Brar, APP, U.T. Chandigarh.**

**VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)**

Challenge in the present petition is to the judgment dated 1.12.2021/2.12.2021 vide which the learned Judge, Special Court, Chandigarh, has convicted the accused-appellant under Section 22 (C) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, and has sentenced the accused-appellant to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of 10 years and also directed the appellant to pay a fine of Rs.1 lac and on default of payment of fine to further undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of one year for the offence under Section 22 (C) of the NDPS Act.

As per office report, the present appellant had also filed Criminal Appeal number CRA-S-91 of 2022 which was admitted vide order

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dated 20.1.2022 passed by a Coordinate Bench of this Court and the recovery of fine was stayed. Thus, the present second appeal filed by the same appellant is a duplicate appeal and deserves to be dismissed on the said ground. Liberty, however, is granted to the appellant to pursue Criminal Appeal bearing number CRA-S-91 of 2022 and the order passed in the present case would not come in the way of the present appellant agitating the points available to the appellant in CRA-S-91 of 2022.

Accordingly, the present appeal is dismissed with the above said observations.

**June 02, 2022.**  
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**(VIKAS BAHL)**  
**JUDGE**

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| Whether speaking/reasoned:- | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable:-        | Yes/No |