

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

Sr. No.210

CRM-M-9099-2021

Date of decision: 11.07.2022

Jatinder Singh @ Gurcharan Singh @ Mani @ Makkar

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. Prateek Pandit, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Gunkirat Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for the grant of regular bail in FIR No.375 dated 12.12.2017 registered under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Kotwali Kapurthala, District Kapurthala.

At the outset, learned State counsel submits that since only 05 prosecution witnesses remain to be examined in the petitioner's trial, at this stage, no bail be granted to him especially when he already stands convicted twice over for offences under the NDPS Act.

In light of the above statement made on behalf of the State, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that at this stage, he would be satisfied if the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the Trial Court to finally adjudicate upon the petitioner's trial in a time bound manner.

Since only 05 prosecution witnesses remains to be examined in the petitioner's trial and because the petitioner is in custody for the last over

02 years and 02 months as also for the reason that every under trial has a right to a speedy trial, in the peculiar facts of this case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the Trial Court to finally dispose of the petitioner's trial expeditiously but not later than four months from the date next fixed before it, in accordance with law.

July 11, 2022
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(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No