

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

Sr. No.206

CRM-M-47930-2021

Date of decision: 14.03.2022

Kuldeep Singh @ Geeta

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. H.S. Thiara, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurav Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing.

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for the grant of regular bail in FIR No.246 dated 15.11.2020, registered under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs And Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Mehatpur, Jalandhar.

The petitioner is being prosecuted for having been found in illegal possession of 13 injections of Pheniramine Maleate and 13 injections of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride.

At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that, at this stage, he does not press the present petition on its merits and would be satisfied if the same is disposed of with a direction to the Trial Court to dispose of the petitioner's trial in a time bound manner.

Since the petitioner is in custody for the last over 01 year and 04 months and only 06 prosecution witnesses remain to be examined in his trial as also because two other cases under the NDPS Act are pending against him, the alternate prayer made on behalf of the petitioner is accepted and the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the Trial Court to finally dispose of the petitioner's trial within 05 months from the next date fixed before it, in accordance with law.

It is clarified that the afore direction is subject to the cooperation by the petitioner / counsel appearing for him before the trial Court.

March 14, 2022
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(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE

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