

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

CRM-M-53387 of 2021

DECIDED ON: 6th January, 2022

Balwinder Singh @ Darshu

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

State of Punjab

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: Mr. Barjinder Singh, Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Sr. DAG Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

Due to COVID-19 situation, the Court is convened through video conference.

This petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is filed seeking regular bail in case of FIR No.166 dated 7.9.2020 under Section 15 of NDPS Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Jalandhar Cantt. District Jalandhar.

The basic ground for seeking bail is that the petitioner is in custody since 7.9.2020 and trial is not progressing.

Learned State counsel submits that out of total seventeen prosecution witnesses, two have been examined. He further submits that witnesses are mostly official witnesses and the next date fixed before the trial Court is 10.2.2022. He on instructions submits that earnest efforts would be made to conclude the prosecution evidence within four months from the date fixed.

In view of the statement made, learned counsel for the petitioner does not press the present petition at this stage.

Disposed of.

However, there is no doubt that in case a request if made before the trial Court for accommodating date for an early conclusion of prosecution evidence, the same would be considered in accordance with law.

6th January, 2022
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(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>