

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

**CRM-M No.515 of 2023**

Date of decision: 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023

Lallan Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL**

Present: Mr. Aditya Jain, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Karan Sharma, Dy. Advocate General, Haryana  
for the respondent/State.

**MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)**

This is fifth petition of the petitioner filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. in case bearing FIR No.704 dated 06.10.2020 under Section 20 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 registered at Police Station Rohtak City, District Rohtak.

At the outset, on a pointed query put to the learned counsel for the petitioner as to what was the material change in circumstances subsequent to withdrawal of the previous petition seeking similar relief on 29.04.2022, learned counsel, very fairly conceded that other than the custody of the petitioner, there was no material change in circumstances.

In view thereof, this Court does not deem it fit to extend the concession of bail to the petitioner in the instant case. The petition as such stands dismissed.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner has made a request that since the petitioner has now been in custody for almost two years and three months, having been arrested on 05.10.2020, and only two out of 14 prosecution witnesses cited had been examined, directions may be issued to the trial Court for expeditious conclusion of the trial.

The trial Court shall make earnest efforts to conclude the trial expeditiously, preferably within a period of six months.

**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)**  
**JUDGE**

**January 13, 2023**  
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| Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable        | Yes/No |