

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRA-S-783-2023 (O&M)
Date of decision: 18.08.2023

Sunita Rani

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Samar Pratap Singh Ahluwalia, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant revision petition to impugn the order dated 15.11.2022 passed by learned Judge, Special Court, Ludhiana whereby she was convicted and sentenced to undergo RI for a period of 01 year under Section 15 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short, 'the NDPS Act') Act in case FIR No.171 dated 07.12.2013 under Section 15 of the NDPS Act registered at Police Station Sidhwan Bet, Ludhiana.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has fairly submitted that in view of the findings of fact recorded by the Court below, he would not press the instant revision petition on merits and would instead restrict his prayer qua the sentence only. Learned counsel submits that the occurrence in question pertains to the year 2013 and the petitioner has thus, suffered the agony of protracted trial for 10 years. He submits that only 05 days remain to complete the sentence awarded to the petitioner. A prayer has, therefore, been made that in the aforesaid facts

and circumstances, a lenient view be taken and the quantum of sentence awarded to the petitioner by the Trial Court be reduced to the period already undergone.

3. I have heard leaned counsel for the parties and perused the judgment passed by Court below and do not find any illegality much less perversity in the impugned judgment of conviction and order of sentence.

4. However, keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case as well as the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court is of the considered view that ends of justice would be met, if while maintaining the conviction of the petitioner her substantive sentence of 01 year is reduced to the period of sentence already undergone by her in the present case.

5. Accordingly, the instant petition is disposed of and the sentence of 01 year awarded to the petition is reduced to the period already undergone by her in the instant case.

18.08.2023

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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