

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

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2023:PHHC:111688

CRM-M-8217-2023

Date of decision: August 25th, 2023

Balram Sahni

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Rajiv Kumar Trikha, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

Learned State counsel has opposed the prayer made by the counsel opposite by informing the Court, on instructions, that as many as five prosecution witnesses out of the 11 cited have been examined. It has also been brought to the notice of this Court that after the petitioner was released on bail on 20.07.2010, he had absconded and thereafter, declared a proclaimed offender on 27.09.2011. Learned State counsel has submitted, on instructions, that it was only 11 years thereafter that the petitioner could be again arrested on 26.06.2022. Learned counsel for the State has further submitted that since the trial is not going to take much time to conclude, petitioner be not granted the concession of bail as there was every likelihood that he could yet again abscond and evade proceedings before the trial Court.

After arguing for some time, when this Court was not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, a prayer was made by learned counsel for the petitioner for withdrawal of the instant petition.

Dismissed as withdrawn.

August 25th, 2023

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
Whether reportable	:	No