

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-16016 of 2023

Date of decision: 19th May, 2023

Rashpal Singh

Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. J. S. Bhinder, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. I. S. Mann, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

1. This is a second petition seeking regular bail in FIR No. 215 dated 11.10.2020, under Section 22-C of the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Canal Colony, Bathinda, District Bathinda.
2. The earlier petition was not pressed in view of the statement made by learned counsel for the State that an earnest effort would be made to examine the witnesses within three months.
3. The present petition is filed on the ground that the trial is not progressing.
4. Learned counsel for the State has filed the status report. On instructions from Head Constable-Jaswant Singh submits that only one prosecution witness is left which could not be examined as the Presiding Officer was on leave on 16.5.2023 and now the matter is fixed for 5.6.2023. He further submits that the prosecution evidence would be concluded by

30.6.2023.

5. In view of the statement made, no case is made out at this stage for grant of bail.
6. The petition is dismissed.
7. Needless to say that in the eventuality of petitioner's approaching the trial court for expeditious conclusion of the trial, the same would be considered in accordance with law.

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE

19th May, 2023
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| 1. Whether speaking/ reasoned | : | Yes / No |
| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes / No |