

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

211-1 CRM-M-17682-2022
Date of Decision: 27.07.2023

Inderjit Singh @ Vicky @ Bhau Petitioner
Versus
State of Punjab Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA

Present:- Mr. Amit Dhawan, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Karunesh Kaushal, AAG, Punjab.
Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate for the complainant.

ANOOP CHITKARA, J. (ORAL)

FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
276	04.10.2017	Daba, District Ludhiana	307, 326, 452, 506, 148, 149 IPC (302 IPC added later on)

The petitioner incarcerated in the FIR captioned above, has come up before this Court under Section 439 CrPC seeking bail.

- State counsel submits that the trial is at advance stage.
- The petitioner's counsel submits that at this stage, they would be contended and satisfied if a direction is given to the trial court to conclude the trial in a time-bound manner and further in case the trial is not completed by the given date, they are permitted to file a fresh bail petition on the grounds of delay in the trial, in addition to the merits of the case.
- Given above, considering the petitioners' custody, this court requests the concerned trial court to make all endeavours to conclude the trial by Sep 30, 2023, of which the prosecution evidence be completed by Aug 31, 2023, and the remaining time to provide an opportunity to the accused to lead defence evidence, if so desired. It is clarified that this order expediting the trial is subject to the condition that neither the petitioner shall seek

expediting the trial shall stand automatically recalled by resorting to Section 362, read with Section 482 Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, without any further reference to this court. However, if the trial is not completed by the date mentioned above, and the delay is not attributable to the petitioner, in that situation, it shall be permissible for the petitioner to file a bail petition by taking an additional ground of delay in the trial, and such petition may be filed before the trial court or this court.

4. The petition is disposed of with the aforesaid liberty and observations. All pending applications, if any, stand closed.

(ANOOP CHITKARA)
JUDGE

27.07.2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No