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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(201-1)

CRM-M-21873-2021
Date of decision:- 21.03.2023

Harish Bhatia @ Raju Sachdeva
Versus
State of Punjab

...Petitioner

...Respondent

(201-2)

CRM-M-46538-2021

Hardeep Kumar @ Babbu
Versus
State of Punjab

...Petitioner

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present:- Mr. Sandeep Kumar Passi, Advocate
for the petitioner(s) in both cases.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, DAG, Punjab for the State-respondent.

SUVIR SEHGAL, J. (Oral)

This order shall dispose of two cases bearing Nos. **CRM-M-21873-2021** titled as “**Harish Bhatia @ Raju Sachdeva Versus State of Punjab**” and “**CRM-M-46538-2021** titled as “**Hardeep Kumar @ Babbu Versus State of Punjab**” as the petitioners in both the cases are accused in FIR No.95 dated 25.02.2020, registered for offence under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short “the NDPS Act”), however, later on Sections 25 and 29 of the NDPS Act were added, at Police Station City Barnala, District Barnala, Annexure P-1, and have approached this Court through separate petitions filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, seeking grant of regular bail.

Upon instructions received from SI, Sharif Khan, State counsel submits that the Hon’ble Supreme Court in *SLP (Crl.) No. 2183 of 2022* has directed the Trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously. He submits that out of the cited 124 prosecution witnesses, 64 have been given up and only 10 remained to be examined. Still further, he submits that cross-examination of two prosecution witnesses is to be conducted by the defence. State counsel submits as the trial is being taken up on a weekly basis, the prosecution evidence is likely to be concluded in the near future.

Faced with the statement of the State counsel, counsel for the petitioner(s) seeks and is granted permission to withdraw both the petitions at this stage.

Dismissed as withdrawn at this stage.

21.03.2023
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(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No