

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

(202)

CRM-M-37716-2023

Date of Decision : October 09, 2023

Baljit Singh**.. Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab****.. Respondent****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI**

Present: Ms. Muskan, Advocate, for
Mr. Amit Arora, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurpreet Singh, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in respect of FIR No.76 dated 06.06.2021 registered under Sections 21 and 29 of the NDPS Act, 1985 at Police Station Sirhali, District Tarn Taran.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that though the present petition has been filed for the grant of regular bail but the petitioner will be satisfied in case the trial Court is directed to conclude the trial in a time bound manner so that the petitioner does not suffer indefinite incarceration and the trial also comes to an end.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Gurpreet Singh, learned Additional Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

5. Learned State counsel, on the instructions from Investigating Officer, submits that two prosecution witnesses have already been examined and the remaining witnesses have been called for examination on 13.10.2023 and all witnesses to be examined are official witnesses. Not only this, even the status report from the Additional District and Sessions Judge, Tarn Taran has been received wherein, it has been mentioned that the prosecution evidence will be concluded in the minimum possible time fixed.

6. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record with their able assistance.

7. Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case that petitioner is behind the bars for the last more than two years, the trial Court is directed to conclude the trial within a period of three months from the next date of hearing fixed before the trial Court.

8. The present petition is disposed of in above terms.

October 09, 2023

harsha

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No