

CRM No. M-43684 of 2023

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(206)

CRM No. M-43684 of 2023
Date of Decision : 12.09.2023

Sunil Kumar Kalra

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Abhivadya Sood, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurpreet Singh, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

Harsimran Singh Sethi J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 165 dated 24.08.2016, registered under Sections 395, 452, 342, 120-B, 411 IPC and Sections 25 and 27 of the Arms Act at Police Station Model Town, District Ludhiana.

2. On being pointed out that the earlier bail application was only withdrawn on 20.07.2023, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present petition be treated with regard to the prayer for conclusion of the trial in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Gurpreet Singh, learned Additional Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in Court, keeping in view the service of advance

copy of petition, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and raises no objection for the grant of prayer as made by the petitioner.

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

6. Keeping in view the fact that the present FIR relates to the year 2016 and out of total 24 cited witnesses, only 11 witnesses have been examined so far, the trial Court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same within a period of six months from the next date of hearing even if, short adjournments are to be granted and coercive orders are to be passed to secure the presence of the witnesses.

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

September 12, 2023
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No