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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-47396-2023

Date of Decision : 18.12.2023

Odoeke Francis Ifeanyi

...Petitioner

Versus

State U.T. Chandigarh

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Amit Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Anupam Bansal, APP, U.T.Chandigarh for the respondent-State.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

After arguing for some time, when this Court was not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, learned counsel submitted that he does not press the instant petition, however, since it is a case triable by Magistrate, the Court concerned be directed to expedite the trial since the petitioners have been in custody for almost two years now, having been arrested on January 20, 2022.

Dismissed as not pressed.

In view of the prayer made, the trial court is directed to make earnest efforts to expedite the trial and conclude it positively within the next five months. However, it is made clear that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

December 18, 2023

Ps

**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/ reasoned : *Yes/No*

Whether reportable : *Yes/No*