

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

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CRM-M-49867-2022

Date of decision : 17.08.2023

Ravinderpal Singh**..... Petitioner****versus****State of Punjab and others****..... Respondents****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PANKAJ JAIN**

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Shukla, AAG, Punjab.

PANKAJ JAIN, J. (Oral)

Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for directions to the trial court to conclude the trial in case No.CHI/822/2014 titled as “State vs. Satwinderpal Singh” dated 20.02.2014 in a time bound manner.

2. As per the facts enumerated in the petition, petitioner is one of the complainants in FIR No.31 dated 25.03.2013, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 420, 422 read with Section 120-B of IPC, 1860, at Police Station Division No.8, Ludhiana. Charges stands framed. Despite nearly eight years having passed thereafter trial has proceeded but on snail’s pace. Two out of the thirteen cited witnesses were examined, that too on the background of the fact that majority of the witnesses are official witnesses. Right to speedy trial is one of the objectives and is rather one of the checks and balances. The constitution of Special Courts is means to achieve the said objective of speedy trial.

3. Present case is an example that shows that achieving the objective of providing speedy trial to persons facing prosecution for the

4. In view of the above and keeping in view the innocuous prayer made by the petitioner, this Court deems it appropriate to dispose off the present petition in limine with the directions to the concerned Court to conclude the trial preferably within a period of six months.
5. It is made clear that no request for extension of time will be entertained.
6. Disposed off accordingly.

(PANKAJ JAIN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes
Whether Reportable :	No