

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

**CRM-M-6172-2024
Date of Decision:06.02.2024**

MANDEEP SINGH

...Petitioner(s)

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

...Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.S.SHEKHAWAT

Present : Ms. Komal Preet Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner.

N.S.SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. with a prayer to direct the trial Court to expedite the trial arising out of FIR No. 59 dated 27.09.2019 under Section 420 IPC registered at Police Station Airport, District Police Commissionerate Amritsar (Annexure P-1).
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR in the present case was registered on 27.09.2019 and the challan was presented on 20.01.2022. She further contends that the charges were ordered to be framed on 19.07.2022 and since then the trial has not progressed much. Consequently, appropriate directions may be issued to the trial Court to expedite the trial in the present case.
3. Notice of motion.
4. On the asking of Court, Mr. I.P.S. Sabharwal, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No. 1 to 3.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

6. In the present case, the charge was ordered to be framed on 19.07.2022 and, thereafter, on various dates, few witnesses have been examined by the trial Court. However, keeping in view the fact that the petitioner is an young person and is facing the prosecution since 2019, the trial Court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude the trial at the earliest, preferably, within a period of 1 ½ years from today.

7. Allowed.

06.02.2024
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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No