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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-6396-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision : 21.02.2024

Bittu Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PANKAJ JAIN

Present: Mr. Jashandeep Singh Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashok Kumar Sehrawat, DAG, Haryana.

PANKAJ JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. This petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.330 dated 12.10.2020, registered for offences punishable under Sections 22(b) of NDPS Act (Section 22(c) of NDPS Act added later on) at Police Station Civil Lines Sirsa, District Sirsa.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that at this stage he will be satisfied if the trial Court is directed to expedite the trial and decide the same expeditiously in accordance with law, as the petitioner is stated to be in custody since 12.10.2020.
3. I find this to be a fair request.
4. In the considered opinion of this Court, the petitioner who is in custody has a right to seek speedy trial as guaranteed under Article 21 of the Constitution of India.

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5. Consequently, the trial Court is hereby directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same before **30.04.2024**.
6. Petition stands disposed off.
7. Since the main case has been decided, pending miscellaneous application, if any, shall also stands disposed off.

(PANKAJ JAIN)
JUDGE

21.02.2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes

Whether Reportable : No