

238 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.6528 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of decision : 12.02.2024

Rani Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE PANKAJ JAIN

Present :- Mr. Prateek Pandit, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Tarun Aggarwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

PANKAJ JAIN, J. (ORAL)

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.66 dated 20.05.2021 registered under Section 22 of the NDPS Act at Police Station Kot Ise Khan District Moga.

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 20.05.2021.

I find this to be a fair request.

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.

Consequently, the trial Court is hereby directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same preferably within six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Petition stands disposed off.

(PANKAJ JAIN)
JUDGE

12.02.2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable :	No