



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

CRM-M No.11064 of 2024
Date of decision: 30th July, 2024

Gurnam @ Gama

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Krishan S. Dadwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Singh, Dy. Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.143 dated 23.10.2020 under Section 21(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (Section 29 of the NDPS Act added later on) registered at Police Station Chabbewal, District Hoshiarpur. This is the second petition filed by the petitioner.

2. Report, in compliance of the order dated 16.05.2024 of this Court, has been received from the trial Court. As per the report received, trial has been going on at a reasonably good pace; only 2 prosecution witnesses remain to be examined.

3. In the aforementioned facts and circumstances of the case, this Court does not deem it fit to extend the concession of bail to the petitioner in the instant case as the trial is nearing conclusion. The



petition stands dismissed. 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.

4. The trial Court shall make earnest efforts to conclude the trial expeditiously, preferably within a period of next three months.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

July 30, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No