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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.32451 of 2024(O&M)

Date of Decision: 02.09.2024

Dhirender Singh Rathore

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA

Present: Mr. Sandeep Kumar Passi, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sukhdev Singh, A.A.G., Punjab.

ANOOP CHITKARA, J.

FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
344	13.07.2020	City Barnala, District Barnala	22 of NDPS Act (25, 29 of NDPS Act, 1985 and 7, 13 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC, 1860 added later on)

The petitioner incarcerated for more than 04 years in the FIR captioned above had come up before this Court under Section 439 CrPC, 1973, seeking regular bail.

2. State counsel submits that all prosecution witnesses have been examined, statements under section 313 Cr.P.C. have also been recorded and now the trial is at defence stage and thus, the ball is not in the court of the State.

4. However, counsel for the petitioner submits that the accused who are on bail are delaying the trial by way of seeking adjournments time and again.

5. Given above, the present petition is disposed of with direction to the trial Court that in case any adjournment is sought by the accused who are on bail in that case trial Court is requested to cancel their bail in accordance with law and shall avoid unnecessary adjournment. The State is also directed not to seek any unnecessary adjournment(s). Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

(ANOOP CHITKARA)

JUDGE

02.09.2024

Sonia Puri

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No.