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Neutral Citation No.2024:PHHC:050156
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-59111-2023
Date of decision: 15.04.2024

MANDEEP SINGH @ JOHNY

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. Ashish Bakshi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Japjot Singh, AAG, Punjab.

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SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

After addressing arguments for some time, learned counsel for the petitioner seeks withdrawal of the present petition at this stage but has requested that the learned Trial Court may be directed to expedite the trial as the instant FIR pertains to the year 2017 and the charge was framed on 02.09.2023 but none of the witnesses out of 13 witnesses cited by prosecution have yet been examined.

2. He submits that the next date in the learned Trial Court is 30.04.2024.

3. In view of the statement made by learned counsel for the petitioner, the present petition is dismissed as withdrawn at this stage.

4. However, keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case, the learned Trial Court is directed to make sincere endeavour to conclude the trial preferably within a period of 3 months from the next date of hearing i.e. 30.04.2024.

5. Since all the witnesses happen to be police officials, the Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana is directed to ensure the presence of witnesses in compliance to the summons issued by the learned Trial Court positively on the respective date of hearing and to ensure so, he is directed to depute some Gazetted Officer to supervise the same.

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(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |