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

**CRM-M-17427-2025**

Date of decision: 04.04.2025

Sunil Kumar

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL**

Present: Mr. Kanisth Ganeriwala, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Shiva Khurmi, AAG, Punjab with ASI Dalbir Singh.

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**MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)**

1. This is third petition that has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023, for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.175, dated 27.12.2022, under Section 18 of NDPS Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Sujampur, District Pathankot.

2. At the outset, learned State counsel, on instructions, has submitted that the trial is nearing conclusion with only two prosecution witnesses remaining to be examined. Hence, the trial would be concluding very shortly.

3. In the circumstances, this Court does not deem it fit to extend the concession of bail to the petitioner at this stage. Present petition stands dismissed accordingly.

4. However, since petitioner has been in custody since 27.12.2022, the trial Court shall ensure expeditious conclusion of the trial, preferably within the next three months.

5. It is made clear that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)  
JUDGE

April 04, 2025  
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| Whether reportable:        | Yes/No |