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

CRM-M-58732-2024

Date of decision : 08.05.2025

Mandeep Singh @ Manu**.....Petitioner**

versus

State of Punjab**.....Respondent****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

Present :- Mr. Davinder Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. J.S. Arora, D.A.G., Punjab.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. Present petition has been filed for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.10 dated 29.01.2024, under Section 22 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station City Morinda, District Rupnagar.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is behind bars since 29.01.2024.
3. However, learned State counsel, on instructions has submitted that only 02 prosecution witnesses remains to be examined and the case is now fixed for 19.05.2025 before the trial Court.
4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has further submitted that from 22.07.2024 onwards, the prosecution is intentionally not examining the witnesses.
5. Keeping in view the stage of trial, this Court would refrain from going into the merits of the case. However, in view of the statement made by learned counsel for the petitioner, the Court is of the opinion that

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the prosecution cannot be allowed to delay the trial as submitted before this Court.

6. Let both the remaining prosecution witnesses be produced before the trial Court on the date fixed before it i.e. 19.05.2025 and the trial Court is directed to conclude the trial expeditiously.

7. Present petition stands disposed of.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No