



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

**CRM-M-68448-2025
Date of decision: 09.12.2025**

SANDEEP SINGH ALIAS KATI

...PETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present: Mr. Vishal Sodhi, Advocate for the petitioner.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 528 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023 for issuance of direction to expedite and conclude the trial in FIR No.301 dated 23.11.2018 registered under Sections 379-B, 341, 323, 34 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 at Police Station Civil Lines Patiala in case bearing No.SC/147/2022 titled as '*State of Punjab vs. Jaswinder Singh @ Chhota and others*'.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that in the present case, charges were framed on 21.07.2022 and till date out of 13 witnesses cited by the prosecution, not even a single witness has been examined. However, learned counsel fairly admitted that the petitioner is on bail in the present case.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Anup Singh, AAG, Punjab, present in the Court, accepted notice on behalf of respondent-State and submitted that the State will make efforts to procure the presence of official witnesses before the trial Court.



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- 5. Heard.
- 6. Keeping in view the contents of paper-book and the fact that the petitioner is on bail in the present case, the learned trial Court is directed to make sincere efforts for expeditious disposal of the case as not even a single witness has been examined for the last three years.
- 7. Disposed of accordingly.

December 09, 2025
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(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

(i)	Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
(ii)	Whether reportable	Yes/No