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

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CRM M-7935 of 2024 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 22.04.2026

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...Petitioner (s)

Vs.

State of Haryana and others

...Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.S.SHEKHAWAT

Present : Mr. Yogeshwar Dayal Kaushik, Advocate with
Ms. Jony Bansal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Parmod Kumar, AAG, Haryana.

Mr. Balvinder Sangwan, Advocate
for respondents No.2,3, 4, 5 and 9.**N.S.SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)**

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. with a prayer to issue directions to the trial Court to expedite the trial in a case arising out of FIR No. 734 dated 11.11.2020 under Sections 376(2)(n), 341, 354-D, 384, 506, 201, 427, 120-B and 34 of IPC (Sections 201 and 421-B of IPC added later on), registered at Police Station, Sector 7, District Faridabad.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that FIR in the present case was registered on 11.11.2020 and the *challan* was submitted before the Area Magistrate on 28.03.2023. Thereafter, the case was committed by the Area Magistrate and now the trial has been unreasonably delayed. Learned counsel further submits that in fact, right

to speedy trial in all criminal prosecutions is an inalienable right under Article 21 of the Constitution of India. This right is applicable not only to the actual proceedings in the Court but also includes within its sweep the preceding police investigations as well. Thus, appropriate directions may be issued to the trial Court to dispose of the trial expeditiously.

3. On the other hand, learned State counsel has no serious objection to the prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner and submits that appropriate orders may be passed in the present case.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record carefully.

5. In the present case, undoubtedly, the FIR was registered on 11.11.2020 and the *challan* was presented before the Area Magistrate on 28.03.2023. However, two co-accused, namely Vedpal Chaudhary and Savita Chaudhary, have filed two petitions before this Court and due to the pendency of the petitions, the trial before the trial Court got delayed. Now, both the petitions have been disposed off by this Court by the orders of the even date and the FIR qua them has been quashed.

6. Consequently, the present petition is allowed and the trial Court is directed to conclude the trial expeditiously and decide the same preferably within a period of two years from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

7. All pending applications, if any, are disposed off, accordingly.

22.04.2026
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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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