

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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2026.PHHC.034433



CRM-M-11928-2026 (O&M).
Date of decision: 06.03.2026.

RAJ RAHI

...Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF U.T. CHANDIGARH AND OTHERS

...Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Arun Luthra, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Satish Kumar, Addl. P.P. U.T. Chandigarh assisted by
ASI Rohtash, EOW, Sector 17, Chandigarh.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, (Section 482 Cr.P.C.) for seeking directions to the respondent-State to expedite the trial qua the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.0206 dated 30.08.2019, under Section(s) 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, (Sections 318(4), 338, 336(3),

340(2) and 61(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023), registered at Police Station East, Sector 26, Chandigarh.

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been nominated as an accused in the aforesaid case, however, the investigation has not been concluded despite lapse of nearly 6½ years.

Learned Additional P.P. for U.T. Chandigarh, on instructions, submits that the final report has already been prepared and that the same shall be filed before the Court within a period of 02 months from today.

In view of the aforesaid statement, the grouse of the petitioner that the final report has not been filed stands redressed.

So far as the prayer for directing the trial Court to expedite the trial is concerned, the same cannot be adverted to at this juncture, since there is no pending trial before the Court and the trial shall commence only after submission of the final report before the trial Court. There are no special circumstances made out as to why such a direction be issued especially when the delay in commencement of the trial or conclusion of the same is not attributable to the trial Court. The said prayer is accordingly declined at this stage.

The present petition stands disposed of accordingly.

March 06, 2026.
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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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