



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(251)

CRM-M-26235-2026(O&M)
DATE OF DECISION:14.05.2026

Imran

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present Mr.Gaurav Rana Advocate, for the petitioner.
Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. AG, Punjab.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J (ORAL)

1. This is the **third** petition which has been filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) seeking **regular bail** in case bearing FIR No.63 dated 23.03.2019, under Section 22/25/29 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Sardulgarh, District Mansa.

2. Allegations against the present petitioner is that from his possession intoxicant tablets have been recovered.

3. After arguing for some time, learned counsel for the petitioner, while relying upon copies of zimni orders passed by the learned trial Court, limited his prayer to the extent that the petitioner has been in custody for the last five years and the trial is being unnecessarily delayed on account of exemption applications being filed by the co-accused on almost every date of hearing; that despite several opportunities having been granted by the learned trial Court, no effective steps have been taken to conclude the trial. Accordingly, prayer has been made for issuance of directions to the learned trial Court to take appropriate steps for expeditious conclusion of the trial.

Copies of the zimni orders are taken on record.



- 4. Heard.
- 5. Keeping in view the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner, the present petition is **disposed of** with a direction to the learned trial Court to make an endeavor to conclude the trial expeditiously. It is further observed that exemption applications shall not be allowed in a mechanical manner and the same be considered only for specific and justified reasons.

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(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

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