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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-8163-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 13.02.2025

Amandeep Kaur

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present: Ms. Varsha Sharma, Advocate, for the petitioner.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 528 of BNSS for issuance of directions to learned Additional Sessions Judge, Fast Track Special Court, Patiala to expedite the trial.

2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submitted that it is a case where an FIR was lodged against the private respondents and after investigation of the case, challan was presented and learned trial Court framed the charges on 01.08.2023 and till date only one witness who is the present petitioner/complainant has been examined and in this way, there is a delay in the trial and therefore, directions may be issued to learned trial Court to expedite the trial.

3. I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioner.

4. The only prayer in the present petition is for seeking expediting the trial. As per the learned counsel for the petitioner, the charges were framed by learned trial Court on 01.08.2023 which is almost 1 year and 6 months and a perusal of the interlocutory orders passed by learned trial Court from



Annexure P-3 onwards would show that although the matter was adjourned by learned Additional Sessions Judge but cogent reasons have been given by learned trial Court for adjournments and even in between it appears that learned Presiding Officer was also changed because of transfer. From a perusal of the aforesaid interlocutory orders and in view of the fact that a time period of only 1 year and 6 months after the framing of the charges has been passed and the petitioner being complainant has already been examined and the fact that the present case was not within the action plan case, this Court is of the considered view that it cannot be said that the trial is not going at a good pace. Learned trial Courts are actually burdened with number of cases and such kind of directions being sought by the petitioner/complainant cannot be sustained and no such direction can be issued to learned trial Court considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances for expediting the trial.

5. Consequently, the present petition is dismissed.

13.02.2025

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(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

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