



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

**CRM-M No.24411 of 2026
Date of Decision: 14.05.2026**

Dharamjit Singh @ Soni

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Ashir Gulati, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Raj Karan Singh, Asstt. A.G., Punjab.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

1. Present third petition has been filed praying for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.18, dated 22.02.2020, under Section 302 IPC and Section 25 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Kotwali Nabha, District Patiala.

2. Learned counsel for the State, at the outset, has submitted that the case is fixed before the learned trial Court for defence evidence and all the prosecution witnesses have been examined and thus, the trial is at the fag end.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, on the other hand, has submitted that the petitioner is behind bars from last more than 06 years. He has submitted that the petitioner does not want to produce any



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defence witness, however, the learned trial Court has adjourned the case for 20.05.2026.

4. Heard.

5. In view of the submissions made, it is apparent that the trial is at the fag end.

6. Thus, keeping in view the stage of the trial, which is at the fag end, and the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner that he does not want to produce any defence witness, this Court refrains itself from going into the merits of the case. Hence, the present petition stands disposed of. However, the learned trial Court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same expeditiously preferably within a period of three months from the date fixed before it, i.e. 20.05.2026 in accordance with law.

14.05.2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned

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Yes/No

Whether reportable

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Yes/No

**(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE**