



IN THE PUNJAB AND HARYANA HIGH COURT AT
CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-50912-2026 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 09.09.2026

M/S GAURAV ELECTRONICS

... PETITIONER

VERSUS

M/S DEEP ELECTRONICS

... RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIRINDER AGGARWAL

Present: Mr. Shehbaz Thind, Advocate
for the petitioner.

VIRINDER AGGARWAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 528 of the BNSS/Section 482 of the Cr.P.C. seeking issuance of directions to the learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Ludhiana (in short, 'JMIC'), to expeditiously decide the complaint, preferably within a period of six months, as the complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (in short 'N.I. Act') has been pending since 23.04.2021.

2. It is contended that notice of accusation was served upon the respondent on 16.01.2024 and since then, the complaint has been adjourned on one pretext or the other. The petitioner has examined his witnesses in chief, but their cross-examination is being deferred by the respondents on one pretext or the other. As per the mandate of Section 143(2) of the N.I. Act, such complaints are required to be conducted expeditiously and are required to be disposed of preferably within a period of six months. However, the present complaint has been pending for nearly 35 months for the evidence of the petitioner, which



could not be concluded due to non-cooperation on the part of the respondent/accused.

3. Considering the copies of the interim orders placed on record, it is a fit case where indulgence of this Court is required. As such, the instant petition is disposed of with a direction to the JMIC, Ludhiana, to conclude the trial in the complaint case preferably within a period of six months from the date next fixed before the learned Trial Court.

4. The learned Trial Magistrate is directed to pay personal attention to the requests for adjournment made by the respondent, as the witnesses of the petitioner are time and again coming to the Court and are being unnecessarily harassed.

5. Petition stands disposed of.

6. Pending miscellaneous applications, if any, stand disposed of.

09.09.2026

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(VIRINDER AGGARWAL)
JUDGE

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