

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**Crl. Misc. No. M-37007 of 2012 (O&M)
Date of decision: 26.02.2015**

Leela Krishan and others

...Petitioners

versus

State of Haryana and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: None for the petitioners.

Mr. C.S. Bakhshi, Addl. AG., Haryana.

RITU BAHRI, J.

This petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C., is for quashing of FIR No.225 dated 26.09.2012, under Sections 3, 4 & 6 of Dowry Prohibition Act (Annexure P-1), registered at Police Station, Adampur, District Hisar.

The FIR (Annexure P-1) was registered on the basis of complaint made by Balvir Singh-respondent No.2 alleging that the engagement ceremony of his daughter namely Manju was performed with Leela Krishan-petitioner No.1 on 05.08.2012. Details of the expenditure incurred by the complainant has been given in the FIR. Thereafter, petitioner No.1 refused to marry the daughter of complainant.

On notice, reply dated 17.07.2013 has been filed by the Deputy Superintendent of Police (Detective), Hisar, stating that after registration of the FIR, investigation was conducted by ASI Ram Singh, who had recorded the supplementary statements of Balvir Singh-respondent No.2 and Manju Bala. DSP (Detective), Hisar, also recorded the statement of Manju daughter of the complainant under Section 161 Cr.P.C., to the effect that she had a

telephonic conversation with Leela Krishan-petitioner No.1, who had refused from marriage after engagement, as he had been appointed as Sub Inspector in CRPF.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Rajinder Prasad, has informed the Court that after presentation of challan, charges have been framed on 28.12.2013 and now the case is fixed for recording of prosecution evidence.

Since the investigation has already been concluded and the trial is in progress, at this stage, this Court cannot examine the question, as to what amount was spent by the complainant on the engagement ceremony of his daughter and what harassment was caused to him on account of refusal of marriage, if any. All these facts can be gone into by the trial Court at the final stage of the trial.

Accordingly, this petition is disposed of with liberty to the petitioners to take all the pleas before the trial Court.

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

26.02.2015
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