

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

CRM-M-43563 of 2013
Date of Decision: April 28, 2015

Atamjit Singh @ Jagjit Singh and another ...Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab and another ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present: Mr. Deepinder Brar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. C.S. Brar, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. C.S. Bakshi, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

FATEH DEEP SINGH, J.

During the hearing of arguments in CRM-M-43563 of 2013 original records of the trial Court were called for and what transpired is highly shocking for this Court that on presentation of the challan on 23.12.2011 the matter was listed for 15.2.2012 for consideration on charge and thereafter the matter without there being any substantive reason and cause was adjourned on 15.2.2012, 12.3.2012, 5.4.2012, 11.5.2012, 10.7.2012, 13.10.2012, 16.11.2012, 19.12.2012, 4.2.2013, 22.3.2013, 15.4.2013, 17.5.2013, 4.7.2013, 30.7.2013, 12.8.2013, 14.8.2013, 17.8.2013, 6.9.2013, 13.10.2013, 16.11.2013, 12.12.2013, 3.1.2014 and 9.1.2014 and from all these orders it clearly reflects that there was neither any stay order nor any directions by this Court which

could have necessitated these undue long adjournments and it was only on 22.1.2014 when an order dated 21.12.2013 was received by the trial Court, whereby, it was ordered that the case be adjourned beyond the date fixed before this Court and which has continued till date is in itself reflective how dispensation of justice is being casually dealt with by putting to hold criminal trial by such a causal approach has resulted in denial of legitimate right of speedy justice.

Let explanation of all the officers who have dealt with this matter at different stages during the trial be called for as to why administrative action be not initiated for this lethargy and undue reticence in performing their duties. Let the matter be put up on the administrative side.

Let arguments be heard in the matter.

Learned counsel for the petitioners wishes to withdraw the present petition reserving his right to rake up all these issues before the appropriate forum at appropriate stage.

Dismissed as withdrawn with the liberty aforesaid.

(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE

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