

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM No. M-44044 of 2014 (O/M)
Date of decision : 10.2.2015

Vishal Batta

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH

Present:- Mr. Vikas Bali, Advocate, for the petitioner.
Mr. Nikhil K. Chopra, Deputy A.G., Punjab.

1. Whether the Reporters of local newspaper may be allowed to see the judgment ?
2. To be referred to the Reporter or not.
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the digest ?

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KULDIP SINGH, J. (ORAL)

Pursuant to the order passed by this Court on 24.12.2014, report of the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Ludhiana, received to the effect that till now, only one witness was examined and that too on 20.2.2014. It was stated that earlier the summons were not issued due to transfer of the staff.

It is a matter of concern that the petitioner had to approach this Court with a petition that the trial is pending since 2011 and not even a single witness has been examined for the last 3½ years. The speedy trial is pillar of judicial system. It is the duty of the trial Court to ensure that unnecessary adjournments are not granted and the witnesses are examined speedily.

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In view of the matter, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the trial Court to dispose of the present case within next nine months. If necessary, witnesses shall be summoned and examined on day-to-day basis.

(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE

10.2.2015
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