

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

**CRM NO. M-13114 of 2016
Date of decision:- April 26, 2016**

Om Parkash

...Petitioner...

versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents...

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present : Mr. Amitoj Singh Dhaliwal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

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

JASPAL SINGH, J.

Through instant petition preferred under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (for short, "Code"), petitioner has sought direction to respondents No. 2 and 3 for protection of his life and liberty and further that if he is required for any investigation in FIR No. 83, dated 17.04.2014, under Sections 420, 406, 467, 468, 471 IPC, Police Station, Tanda, District Hoshiarpur, to summon him as per the provisions of Section 160 of the Code.

2. Undoubtedly, the aforementioned FIR was registered against the petitioner on the basis of complaint lodged by Balkar Singh and others (14 persons), who are alleged to have been cheated on the pretext of sending them to abroad.

3. Though, it has been averred in the petition that petitioner has not been named in the FIR and nothing has been attributed to him but the perusal of FIR itself reveals that there are specific allegations against him that he committed cheating with the complainants and allured them to part with some amount(s). In fact, it appears that the instant petition has been filed by the petitioner just to put pressure upon the investigating agency. There is nothing on the record to suggest that he is being unnecessarily harassed by the police officials or that he has been abused or maltreated by any of the police officials. The police officials are duty bound to investigate the matter and to summon him to join the investigation to put forth his defence/claim but the petitioner is avoiding to join the investigation.

4. Thus, in such circumstances, this Court does not find any merit in the instant petition. As such, the same is dismissed.

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JUDGE