

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

CRM-M-24193 of 2016.
Decided on:-21.07.2016.

Gurdeep Singh Bajwa.

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab.

.....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA.

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

Present:- Mr. Kewal Krishan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARI PAL VERMA, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for quashing of FIR No.235 dated 3.11.2010 under Sections 213, 218, 465, 466, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC registered against the petitioner at Police Station Maqsudan, District Jalandhar.

An alternative prayer has also been made for issuance of a direction to the trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that though the case was fixed for prosecution evidence on 4.6.2013, as against 13 witnesses cited by the prosecution, only 3 witnesses have been examined so far. Trial in the case is going very slowly. He further submits that speedy trial is a legal right of an accused.

Notice of motion.

On asking of this Court, Mr. Gurinderjit Singh, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Let requisite number of copies of paper book be given to learned State counsel during the course of the day.

Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, but considering the fact that the FIR in question was registered on 3.11.2010 coupled with the fact that the prosecution evidence was started on 4.6.2013, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the trial Court to expedite the trial and conclude the same preferably within one year from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Disposed of.

July 21, 2016
Yag Dutt

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE