

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

Civil Writ Petition No.3728 of 2016
Date of Decision: February 25, 2016

Amarjit Singh

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SURYA KANT.
HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P.B.BAJANTHRI.

Present: Mr.Harkirat Sandhu, Advocate, for the petitioner.

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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?*

Surya Kant, J. (Oral)

The petitioner seeks a mandamus to direct the official-respondents to register an FIR in respect of the alleged illegal cutting of 50 trees owned by the Gram Panchayat and which were standing in the open ground of the School premises of the petitioner's village. The trees were allegedly cut on 23.06.2009. It is averred that earlier one Inderjit Singh had filed CWP No.14067 of 2012 in which this Court directed the authorities to take necessary action. Pursuant thereto, some enquiry was held; responsibility was fixed but no criminal case was registered. The petitioner insists that a criminal case ought to have been registered in relation to the above-stated incident of theft of trees.

Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner, we are of the considered view that no direction can be issued by this Court for registration of the FIR except to observe that

the petitioner may approach respondent Nos.2 & 3 who in turn are directed to take previous enquiry proceedings to some logical conclusion and if in this process it is found that any cognizable offence has been prima-facie committed, let the law take its own course. The necessary action shall be taken by respondent Nos.2 & 3 within a period of four months from the date of receiving a certified copy of this order.

Ordered accordingly.

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[SURYA KANT]
JUDGE

February 25, 2016
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JUDGE