

CRM-M-36286 of 2013 :1:

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

**CRM-M-36286 of 2013  
Decided on:11.07.2017**

**Dharminder Singh & Anr.**

**.... Petitioners**

**Versus**

**State of Punjab**

**..... Respondent**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMENDRA JAIN**

Present: Mr. P. S. Ahluwalia, Advocate  
for the petitioners.

Mr. Rana Harjasdeep Singh, AAG, Punjab.

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**RAMENDRA JAIN, J. (Oral)**

Prayer in the instant petition under Section 407 read with Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure has been made for transfer of the trial pertaining to FIR No.74 dated 10.05.2012 (Annexure P-1) under Sections 307, 427, 447, 511, 506, 148 and 149 of the Indian Penal Code and Sections 25, 27 of the Arms Act registered at Police Station City Khanna, District Ludhiana from the Court of Additional Sessions Judge, Ludhiana to the Courts at Patiala or to any another District Court outside of District Court, Ludhiana.

It has been averred that accused belong to land mafia and enjoy political patronage. The accused belong to District Khanna and according to information received under the Right to Information Act, the accused, namely, Dilsher Singh @ Pappu, Sukhdev Singh @ Laden,

Sarabjit Singh, Jagpal Singh @ Jogi and Baljit Singh are involved in large number of cases i.e. 32 in number, detailed in para No.12 of the petition. That apart, large number of accused are yet to be arrested, out of whom, namely Manjot Singh, Khushdev Singh and Himmat Singh have also been booked in various criminal cases. The petitioners apprehends immense danger to their life and liberty while prosecuting the aforesaid case at District Court, Ludhiana.

The State in its reply has not disputed the above facts.

Since 32 criminal cases against accused Dilsher Singh @ Pappu, Jagpal Singh @ Jogi, Sarabjit Singh, Sukhdev Singh @ Laden and Baljit Singh facing trial and seven other criminal cases against co-accused Manjot Singh, Khushdev Singh, and Himmat Singh, therefore in the considered opinion at this Court apprehension of the petitioner to their life and liberty seems to be quite genuine and reasonable.

Consequently the trial pending before the Court of Additional Sessions Judge, Ludhiana is ordered to be transferred to the Sessions Court, Mohali who shall proceed with the trial itself or may assign the same to some other Court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with law.

Disposed of.

**July 11, 2017**  
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**( RAMENDRA JAIN )**  
**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No