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

CRM-M-8653 of 2017

Date of decision: March 15, 2017

Kirandeep Kaur

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.B. CHAUDHARI

Present: Mr. Abhishek Singla, Advocate for the petitioner.

A.B. CHAUDHARI, J (Oral)

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Ms. Rajni Gupta, Addl. AG
Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State.

Heard learned counsel for the rival parties.

There is a challenge to the FIR No.210 dated 16.09.2013,
under Section 3/4 of the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956,
registered at Police Station Civil Lines Bathinda, Bathinda. Petition
has been filed in this Court on 10.03.2017. Challan has admittedly
been filed.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the trial,
though has commenced, witnesses are not appearing and as a result,
the petitioner having been married is put to embarrassment and face
harassment since she is required to attend the Court. With great
difficulty, she has got married and the FIR in question has become
embarrassment for her.

This Court understands the agony of the petitioner but nevertheless, the fact remains that the FIR of the year 2013 is sought to be challenged after 4 years. The petition, is obviously, hit by the principles of delay and latches. But without going to the same, considering the agony of the petitioner, I make the following order:-

ORDER

- (i) CRM-M-8653 of 2017 is disposed of;
- (ii) Challan filed pursuant to the FIR No.210 dated 16.09.2013, under Section 3/4 of the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, registered at Police Station Civil Lines Bathinda, Bathinda, shall be tried. The trial Court shall complete the trial in any case, within 2 months and if the witnesses do not appear before the trial Court, the trial Court shall close the prosecution case and then dispose of the same in accordance with law.

(A.B. CHAUDHARI)
JUDGE

March 15, 2017

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Whether speaking/ reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No