

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

CWP No. 18525 of 2017(O&M)

Date of Decision: 22.08.2017

Ranjan Lakhanpal, Advocate

.....Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Petitioner in person.

Mr. Randeep Singh Rai, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Abhinav Sood, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

S.S. SARON,J.

The present petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India has been filed in the nature of a Public Interest Litigation, for issuing an appropriate writ or direction, directing the State to order a CBI inquiry into the stalking case of a victim Varnika Kundu who was stopped by accused Vikas Barala and Ashish, on the intervening night of 5/6.8.2017 and an attempt was made to abduct her. Further more an attempt was made by the Chandigarh police to cover up the offences, dilute the offences in the FIR and treat the accused as VIPs.

The grievance of the petitioner, who is an Advocate of this Court, is that in respect of an unfortunate incident of stalking that had occurred on the night intervening 5/6.8.2017, the Chandigarh police is not taking effective steps in investigation of the case.

We called for the standing counsel for Union Territory, Chandigarh. Mr. Randeep Singh Rai, Senior Advocate, with Mr. Abhinav Sood, Advocate for the Union Territory, Chandigarh, appeared. A copy of the petition was given to the learned Standing counsel. The Investigating Officer and police officials are present in Court. They have submitted the police file along with the case diary of the case.

We have perused the police papers and the case diaries.

It is to be noticed that the petition has been filed in the nature of a PIL in a matter which is pending investigation. At this stage it would be improper to interfere specially when the victim whose cause the petitioner is espousing and who may be affected or dis-satisfied with the investigation has not expressed any grievance. Besides, neither has the petitioner shown that the victim is under any kind of disability to approach the Court.

In the circumstances, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that for the present and at this stage, he may be allowed to withdraw the present petition.

Dismissed as withdrawn.

(S.S. SARON)
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No