

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(115)

Crl. Misc. No.M-20188 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 15.05.2018

Bullu Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present:- Mr. Ivneet Singh, Advocate, for the petitioners.
Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Amol Rattan Singh, J. (Oral)

Pursuant to the order of this Court dated 11.05.2018, an affidavit of Sh. Kuldeep Singh Chahal, IPS, Senior Superintendent of Police, District SAS Nagar, Mohali, has been filed in Court today by the learned State counsel, a copy of which has been given to the learned counsel for the petitioners.

As per the said affidavit, petitioner no.2, is actually an elected representative of Ward no.9, District Derabassi, whereas Bhupinder Rathore (not a petitioner before this Court) is the elected Councillor of Ward no.16, against whom FIR no.273 stands registered since July 26, 2017, for the alleged commission of offences punishable under Sections 323, 353, 186, 295, 148, 149 IPC at Police Station Zirakpur.

As per the affidavit, FIR no.156 dated 05.08.2017 also stands registered against petitioner no.1, Bullu Singh, for the alleged commission

of offences punishable under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC, at Police Station Lalru.

Other than that, it has been stated by the SSP that directions have been issued to the ASP, Derabassi, as also the SHOs, Lalru and SAS Nagar, to ensure that the petitioners are allowed to campaign freely without any kind of interference by the police, in accordance with the provisions of law, with the SSP further stating that all allegations made in the petition against respondents no.5 and 6 are vehemently denied.

Without making any comment on either the allegations made in the petition or the denial thereof in the affidavit of the SSP, this petition is disposed of with a direction that all police authorities concerned (naturally) shall ensure that no person is deprived of his right to vote or to campaign freely, and naturally if any allegation is made that any person was not allowed, either by the police or any other person, to exercise their constitutional rights, that would be subject matter of appropriate proceedings.

If the petitioners or any of them are to be summoned in connection with any investigation, due notices will be issued to them in terms of the provisions of the Cr.P.C.

15.05.2018
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(Amol Rattan Singh)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes
Whether reportable: Yes