

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

**CRM-M-19437-2017  
Date of decision: 04.07.2018**

**Gurnam Singh and others**

**...Petitioners**

**Versus**

**State of Punjab and another**

**...Respondents**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN**

Present:- Mr. Deepak Bhardwaj, Advocate  
for the petitioners.

Mr. Sidakmeet Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

Ms. Pooja Chopra, Advocate  
for respondent No. 2/complainant.

**ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)**

Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C., is for quashing of FIR No. 13 dated 07.01.2010, registered under Sections 420 and 120-B of the IPC at Police Station Kotwali, District Patiala and all the subsequent proceedings arising therefrom.

Learned counsel for respondent No. 2/complainant has taken a preliminary objection that vide order dated 12.12.2012 passed in CRM-M-36857-2011, filed by the petitioners, the following order was passed:

***“Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that he may be permitted to withdraw the present petition to take up all the pleas available to them at the time of framing of the charge.”***

Learned counsel for respondent No. 2 submits that thereafter

the present petition has again been filed and till date, the petitioners have not argued on the point of framing of charges before the trial Court.

Learned State counsel, on instruction from ASI Balkar Singh, has verified that till date, charges have not been framed in this case.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and in view thereof, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the trial Court to hear the arguments and pass an appropriate order in accordance with law with regard to framing of charges within a period of two months from today.

It is clarified that the trial Court will not be influenced by the fact that the petitioners have filed two other petitions bearing CRM-M Nos. 15783 of 2014 and 23794 of 2015 which are pending before this Court.

The Registry of this Court is directed to send a copy of this order to the trial Court for compliance.

**July 04, 2018**

*Waseem Ansari*

**(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)  
JUDGE**

*Whether speaking/reasoned*

*Yes/No*

*Whether reportable*

*Yes/No*