

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

CRM-M-42172 of 2018.
Decided on:-September 25, 2018.

Sajal Bhatnagar and others

.....Petitioners.

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA.

Present:- Mr. Kunal Muthreja, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARI PAL VERMA, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for issuance of directions to the official respondents No.1 to 4 to take action against respondent No.5 on the basis of complaint/representation dated 02.05.2018 (Annexure P-3).

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners are residents of Park Grandeura Resident Welfare Association (Regd.), Faridabad. The respondent No.5 has grabbed the amount of the petitioners and other residents of the society and used the same for his personal benefit. The petitioners along with other members of the residential welfare association made a complaint/representation dated 02.05.2018 (Annexure P-3) to the respondent No.2-Commissioner of Police, Sector-21, Faridabad, but no action has been taken by the police till date.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioners.

Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Sakiri Vasu Versus State of U.P. and others (2008) 2 SCC 409* has held as under:

“We have elaborated on the above matter because we often find that when someone has a grievance that his FIR has not been registered at the police station and/or a proper investigation is not being done by the police, he rushes to the High Court to file a writ petition or a petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. We are of the opinion that the High Court should not encourage this practice and should ordinarily refuse to interfere in such matters, and relegate the petitioner to his alternating remedy, firstly under Section 154(3) and Section 36 Cr.P.C. before the concerned police officers, and if that is of no avail, by approaching the concerned Magistrate under Section 156(3).

If a person has a grievance that his FIR has not been registered by the police station his first remedy is to approach the Superintendent of Police under Section 154(3) Cr.P.C. or other police officer referred to in Section 36 Cr.P.C. If despite approaching the Superintendent of Police or the officer referred to in Section 36 his grievance still persists, then he can approach a Magistrate under Section 156(3) Cr.P.C. instead of rushing to the High Court by way of a writ petition or a petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. Moreover he has a further remedy of filing a criminal complaint under Section 200 Cr.P.C. Why then should writ petitions or Section 482 petitions be entertained when there are so many alternative remedies?”

In the present case, prayer made by the petitioners is nothing but issuance of a direction to the official respondents for registration of an F.I.R. against the accused. However, in view of the aforesaid observations made by

Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Sakiri Vasu's case (supra)*, it is apparent that no such direction can be issued by this Court under Section 482 Cr.P.C. as the efficacious remedy is already available to the petitioners for the relief claimed in this petition.

Therefore, this Court does not find any merit in the present petition and the same is, accordingly, dismissed.

September 25, 2018
Yag Dutt

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes

Whether Reportable: No