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**Ankush and others
versus
State of Haryana**

Present: Mr. Pawan Girdhar, Addl. AG Haryana with
Mr. Vivek Saini, DAG Haryana.

Pursuant to last order dated 08.02.2019 passed by this Court relying upon the press report dated 19.01.2019 published in the Dainik Bhaskar newspaper dated 19.01.2019, learned State counsel has filed an affidavit dated 21.02.2019 of Manoj Yadava, IPS, Director General of Police, Haryana, today in Court, which is taken on record.

With the assistance of the learned State counsel, we have gone through the said affidavit carefully and we are satisfied that no blame can be passed to the police Department. However, we find that the press report dated 19.01.2019 to the effect that the victim of rape who was required to depose in the Court was murdered by the accused of rape. It was also stated that her evidence was not recorded in the Court for some or the other reason. The news report in the wake of averments in the said affidavit is clearly misleading and false since the evidence of the deceased/victim was already recorded and concluded by the trial Court on 18.05.2018. There was, therefore, no occasion for Dainik Bhaskar to make any such unverified report dated 19.01.2019, which is obviously false. In fact, making report in such a manner without verifying the correctness of the information has become the order of the day to make the news sensational. According to us, such a course adopted by the newspaper must be deprecated. We hope and trust that Dainik Bhaskar would take note of it and make amends accordingly in future.

Disposed of. Notices discharged.

**(A.B. CHAUDHARI)
JUDGE**

**(B.S. WALIA)
JUDGE**

February 22, 2019

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