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CRM-M-27383-2020

Date of Decision: 11.09.2020

SHEIKHER VERMA

... PETITIONER

VS.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.. RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI

Present : Mr. Sandeep Arora, Advocate, for the petitioner.

VIVEK PURI, J.(ORAL)

It has been stated by learned counsel for the petitioner that respondent No.5 is falsely claiming herself to be the wife of the petitioner and has submitted a complaint on the basis of false allegations before the police. It has been further stated that the marriage of the petitioner with Kanchan is still subsisting, though, a petition for dissolution of marriage by mutual consent under Section 13-B of the Hindu Marriage Act is still pending. Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that the petitioner has already submitted a representation dated 23.08.2020 contained at Annexure P-5 to respondents No. 2, 3 and Inspector General of Police, Jalandhar Zone, Jalandhar, but no action has been taken thereupon.

Notice of motion to official respondents only.

Mr. H.S.Multani, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents and on the instructions from Inspector Jaswant Kaur, contends that an inquiry with regard to the complaint(s) submitted by respondent No.5 alleging that her marriage was solemnized with petitioner on 15.01.2017 and at that point of time, the petitioner had concealed the fact

of his earlier subsisting marriage, the petitioner is being called only during the course of inquiry and furthermore his representation dated 23.08.2020 (Annexure P-5) will also be considered by the concerned Inquiry Officer during the course of inquiry.

In these set of circumstances, without making any observation on the merits of the case or genuineness of the version of the petitioner, as put forth in the aforesaid representation, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to concerned Inquiry Officer to look into the grievance of the petitioner, as projected in the aforesaid representation, during the course of inquiry, in accordance with law.

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(VIVEK PURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	: Yes/No
Whether Reportable	: Yes/No