

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-45086-2019

DATE OF DECISION: FEBRUARY 12, 2020

GURPREET SINGH

...PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ.

PRESENT: MR. B.S. AULAKH, ADVOCATE FOR THE PETITIONER.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J.(ORAL)

The petitioner has filed this petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of order dated 9.10.2017, whereby additional charges under Section 465, 468, 471 IPC have been framed against him in case FIR No.64 dated 1.4.2014, under Section 420, 120-B IPC, Police Station Cantonment, District Amritsar. The copy of the formal charge-sheet drawn by the trial Court is appended as Annexure P-2.

In this case, initially charges were framed against the petitioner on 16.09.2016 and during trial, the Court altered the charge by adding the offences punishable under Section 465, 468 and 471 IPC. During the course of hearing, it is not disputed by learned counsel for the petitioner that pursuant to the amendment of charge-sheet dated 9.10.2017, the prosecution has adduced its evidence and the accused has cross-examined the said witnesses. Apart from it, the order of amendment of charge is not on record, therefore, at this belated stage, this Court does not find any reason to invoke the inherent power under Section 482 Cr.P.C.

The petition is dismissed.

February 12, 2020

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Whether Reportable : Yes/No

Whether Speaking/Reasoned : Yes/No

**(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE**