

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(237)

CRM-M-861-2019

Date of decision: - 18.04.2022

Ritu Bala

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present:- None for the petitioner.

Mr. Sarabjit S. Cheema, AAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

Present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C for issuance of direction to respondent No.2 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner and her family members at the hands of respondents No.3 to 5 i.e. the Assistant Commissioner of Police (Investigation), Urban District Amritsar; Reader of the office of Assistant Commissioner of Police (Investigation), Urban District Amritsar and In-charge, CIA Staff, District Amritsar, respectively.

Learned State counsel has pointed out that in the present case, the reply by way of affidavit of Palwinder Singh, PPS, Assistant Commissioner of Police (Investigation), Amritsar-City, has been filed on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 and 5 and as per the said reply, after detailed inquiry and after getting legal opinion from the DA (Legal), Amritsar, an FIR No.27 dated 16.02.2019, under Sections 420/120-B IPC,

at Police Station Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar has been registered against petitioner Ritu Bala on the complaint filed by complainant Jaswant Singh. The said FIR No.27 dated 16.02.2019 has been annexed as Annexure R-4/T along with reply. In the said FIR, the allegations have been made against the present petitioner to the effect that an amount of Rs.3.50 lakhs has been taken from the complainant to get him recruited in the Indian Army.

Learned State counsel has submitted that as per his instructions, the petitioner has not joined the investigation in the said FIR.

None has appeared on behalf of the petitioner to rebut the said averments/arguments.

Keeping in view the above-said facts and circumstances, more so, the fact that the petitioner is an accused in FIR No.27 dated 16.02.2019, registered under Sections 420/120-B IPC, at Police Station Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar, in which, the allegations have been levelled to the effect that the complainant was duped of an amount of Rs.3.50 lakhs on the allurements of recruitment in the Indian Army, the present petition being sans merit is thus dismissed.

It is made clear that the dismissal of the present petition, however, would not come in the way of the present petitioner to seek legal remedy with respect to the above-said FIR.

April 18, 2022
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(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes
No