

**239 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-9836-2022

Date of Decision: September 27, 2022

Jagjeet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present:- Mr. C.L.Verma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kamal Preet Bawa, AAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J.(Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for seeking directions of official respondents for handing over the investigation of the case FIR No.0064, dated 17.03.2021 registered under Sections 420, 495, 120-B of IPC at Police Station Mataur, District SAS Nagar to some independent investigating agency or to some Senior Police Officer.

Notice in this case was issued on 09.03.2022. Pursuant to which status report dated 27.09.2022, by way of affidavit of Harinder Singh Maan, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police (City-I), District SAS Nagar on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3 has been filed in the Court today and the same is taken on record.

Learned State counsel makes a reference to para 3(XII), which reads thus:-

“ That during the course of investigation, the statements of witnesses were recorded under Section 161 Cr.P.C. The related record was taken on record and examined. The notices under section 41-A Cr.P.C. were issued to the accused to join the investigation; however, they were not

found present at their respective houses. Thereafter, the accused Naresh Kumar was joined in the investigation of the present case/FIR on 28.06.2021 in compliance of the order s passed by the Ld. ASJ, SAS Nagar. Thereafter, raids were conducted at the house of the remaining accused persons at Village Khanpur Lubana on several occasions, however, their house was found to be locked on every occasion. The investigation of the present case/FIR No.64 (supra) is underway and strenuous efforts are being made to trace out and arrest the remaining accused and to take the investigation of the present case/FIR No.64 (supra) to its logical conclusion.”

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Walaiti Ram submits that the investigation has been carried out and one accused has already been arrested and the police is in process with regard to the other co-accused.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he is ready and willing to assist by giving the addresses of the other co-accused and that they are regularly appearing before the Court at Naraingarh. He will provide all these details to the learned State counsel, who assures that necessary action would be taken based on the said information.

In view of the above, present petition is disposed of.

September 27, 2022
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(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking: Yes / No
Whether reportable: Yes / No