

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

(126)

CRM-M-23186-2022.
Date of Decision:-01.06.2022.

Buta Singh and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Gurmeet Singh Saini, Advocate for the petitioners.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Petitioners have approached this petition seeking quashing of the FIR No.50 dated 04.06.2019 under Sections 354, 323, 148 and 149 of IPC and Sections 3 and 4 of SC & ST Act, 1989 (added later on), registered at Police Station Zira, District Ferozepur (Annexure P-1) and all consequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise (Annexure P-2).

It has been contended that the FIR was registered on 04.06.2019, however, till date nothing has been done till date.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Sakshi Bakshi, learned AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.1-State. Mr. Balraj Singh Sidhu, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.2 and 3 and filed his power of attorney. Same is taken on record.

Learned State counsel has submitted that the matter is under investigation. She has also submitted that in all there are 9 accused in this

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case however, 8 accused are before this Court.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the 9th accused, namely, Sukhwinder Singh is no more and hence, there are 8 accused as on date.

As the learned State counsel submitted that the matter is under investigation, this Court finds that the present petition cannot be entertained at this stage, however, since the FIR is about 3 years ago, there is no justification for not concluding the investigation till date.

Accordingly, the present petition is disposed of at this stage with the direction to the Investigating Agencies to conclude the investigation within a month from today.

The parties are at liberty to avail their remedies, as per law.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

June 01, 2022.

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Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:-

Yes/No