

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

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CRM-M-31623-2022

Date of Decision : **July 22, 2022**

JAGIR SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present : Ms. Simrat Kaur, Advocate
for the petitioner.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI. J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C. seeking issuance of directions to the respondents to complete the investigation by invoking the appropriate provisions of IPC and file status report.

The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that it is a case where the petitioner is an old person who was brutally injured by the ten accused in the present case and FIR was registered on 4.4.2022 in which later on Section 326 IPC was also added. She has submitted that no action has been taken by the police in this regard and, therefore, the police should be directed to complete the investigation in accordance with law.

Mr. Davinder Bir Singh, learned DAG, Punjab has submitted on instructions from ASI Gurdeep Singh that the prayer of the petitioner is misconceived. He submitted that out of ten accused, one accused has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court. Four accused have already

been arrested by the police and the remaining are still absconding and the police is making all efforts to trace and arrest those accused and to proceed against them in accordance with law. He further submitted that the delay in filing of the challan was because of this reason that some of the accused are still absconding.

I have heard the learned counsels for the parties.

The prayer of the petitioner in the present case is for seeking directions to complete the investigation in accordance with law. The factual position has now been explained by the learned State counsel on the basis of instructions provided to him in the Court by the Police Officer. Four of the accused have already been arrested and one is on anticipatory bail and the remaining are absconding.

In view of the above, there is no merit in the present petition and the same is, hereby, dismissed at this stage.

However, if at any stage the petitioner still apprehends that the police is not investigating the case properly, then the petitioner shall be at liberty to approach this Court again. This liberty has been granted to the petitioner only on the ground that the petitioner is 80 years old who allegedly suffered injuries.

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(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

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