

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-41869-2021

DECIDED ON: 22nd NOVEMBER, 2022

NARINDER PAL SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL.

Present: Mr. Dheeraj Mahajan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajiv Verma, DAG, Punjab.

None for the complainant.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

In compliance of order dated 03.11.2022, an affidavit dated 21.11.2022 of Sh. Sartaj Singh Chahal, Senior Superintendent of Police, Hoshiarpur, filed by the counsel for the State today in Court, is taken on record.

Para Nos. 6 to 9 of the afore-said affidavit read as under:-

“6. That it is respectfully submitted that in order to arrest the other accused namely Jasbir Singh @ Mirza, Ramandeep Singh @ Rambo and Romanpreet Singh, Arrest Warrant for 07.11.2022 have also been issued by Ld. Court of SDJM, Mukerian and simultaneously raids were conducted to arrest the remaining accused as well as to comply with the directions of this Hon'ble Court.

7. That it is respectfully submitted that ultimately accused

Jasbir Singh @ Mirza has surrendered before the Ld. Court below on 04.11.2022 and his arrest has been made on 04.11.2022, Ramandeep Singh @ Rambo was also arrested on 04.11.2022 and Romanpreet Singh has surrendered before the Ld. Court below on 05.11.2022. The accused Jasbir Singh @ Mirza and Ramandeep Singh @ Rambo were arrested as stated above and 1 day remand was granted by the Ld. Court below and remand of Narinder Pal Singh was also extended for 1 day and ultimately all of them were sent to judicial custody on 05.11.2022. On the other hand the accused Romanpreet Singh was having a slip disk/back problem therefore he was sent to judicial custody on 05.11.2022.

8. *That it is respectfully submitted that the investigating officer in the present case was changed on 03.11.2022 and Inspector Amarit Kaur, SHO, Police Station Hajipur has been deputed as Investigating Officer of the present FIR No. 163 (Supra) and she has been directed to conduct the further investigation and complete the same in a time bound manner.*

The police file has been perused to reply the query of this Hon'ble Court as to why the investigation was going on at snail's pace. Therefore, it has been found that the previous Investigating Officer Si, Sher Jaspal Singh-355/GSP, SI Gurwinder Singh- 2423/BTL, SI Tarsem Singh have conducted the investigation in a lackadaisical manner and therefore a departmental inquiry has been initiated against SI Sher Jaspal Singh No. 355/GSP, SI Gurwinder Singh No. 2423/BTL and SI Tarsem Singh No. 1715/HPR vide order No. 2551- 7/PA dated 19.11.2022.

9. *That it is respectfully submitted that the Challan/report under Section 173 Cr.P.C qua accused Jaskaran Singh @ Jassi has been presented before the Ld. Court, Hoshiarpur on 10.09.2022. The charges have not been framed yet and there are a total of 11 witnesses. The next date of hearing is 30.11.2022. That the investigation qua the present*

petitioner namely Narinder Pal Singh, accused Jasbir Singh @ Mirza, Ramandeep Singh @ Rambo and Romanpreet Singh is still pending. Thus, the report under Section 173 (8) Cr.P.C qua them will be presented before Ld. Court of competent jurisdiction in short period of time, on the completion of the investigation.”

It is evident that needful has been done and the prayer made in the present petition stands addressed.

On an earlier occasion, Senior Superintendent of Police, Hoshiarpur was directed to remain present in Court on account of non-compliance of order dated 14.09.2022. However, the officer has tendered an unconditional apology before this Court, in the afore-said affidavit, which is accepted on the ground taken therein, and the progress so made thereafter in the investigation.

Rule is discharged qua Senior Superintendent of Police, Hoshiarpur.

In view of afore-said affidavit, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present petition has been rendered infructuous and may be disposed of as such.

In the light of statement made by the counsel for the petitioner, the present petition is disposed off as having been rendered infructuous.

(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

22nd NOVEMBER, 2022
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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>