

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

**CRM-M-20369-2023
DECIDED ON: 25.04.2023**

VIRENDER SINGH AND ANR.

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Mr. Jangvir Singh Hooda, Advocate
for the petitioners.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

This is a petition under Section 482 of Cr.P.C., seeking direction to respondents No.2 and 3 i.e., Superintendent of Police, Palwal and SHO, Police Station, Hodal, who are unnecessarily harassing the petitioners by calling them time and again to the Police Station in FIR No.189 dated 07.04.2023 under Section 346 of IPC, registered at Police Station Hodal, District Palwal.

It is the assertion of the petitioners that they were called in the Police Station and made to sit for long hours without any concrete investigation on 13.04.2023, 14.04.2023, 15.04.2023 and even on 23.04.2023.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of Court, Mr. Gagandeep Singh Chhina, AAG, Haryana accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State. He on instructions from SI Mukesh Kumar, who is the Investigating Officer in the instant FIR submits that, it is absolutely wrong to suggest that the petitioners have been called ever

even in the single instance.

Be that as it may, this Court is sufficiently convinced on the assertions made by learned State counsel in particular that petitioners, if have been called upon to the Police Station, shall not be summoned without a previous notice of one week in writing or by issuing a notice under Section 41 of Cr.P.C., to join the investigation. It is expected from the Investigating Officer that investigation be completed expeditiously within the stipulated time as prescribed by the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973.

In the light of the above, petition stands disposed off with the expectation from the Investigating Officer that petitioners will not be harassed for undue reasons whatsoever, except for due investigation in the matter to ascertain the truth and veracity of the allegations made in the FIR.

25.04.2023

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(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>