

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

CRM-M-63735-2023

Date of Decision: December 18, 2023

ASHISH BHATIA

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. S.K. Jain, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Shubham Kaushik, A.A.G., Punjab.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (ORAL)

1. By way of present petition under Section 482 CrPC, a prayer has been made for issuance of direction to respondents No. 1 to 4 to conduct an impartial and fair investigation by appointing any officer not below the rank of Deputy Commissioner of Police and by registration of FIR against private respondents i.e. respondents No.5 to 12.

2. At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that instead of pressing the present petition on merits, his client would be satisfied in case direction is issued to the respondent No.3 to decide the representation (Annexure P-4) moved at the instance of petitioner by passing a speaking order expeditiously.

3. Prayer seems to be justified.

4. Upon advance notice, Mr. Shubham Kaushik, A.A.G., Punjab appears on behalf of respondents No.1 to 4 and raises no objection to the innocuous prayer made on behalf of the petitioner.

5. In view of the agreed stand taken by both sides, but without going into the merits of the controversy, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3-Joint Commissioner of Police, District Ludhiana to look into the representation (Annexure P-4) and take appropriate action in accordance with law by passing a speaking order preferably within a period of 04 (four) weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

6. The aforesaid direction shall not be treated as expression of opinion on the merits of the averments made in the representation.

18.12.2023

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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

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