

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

CRM-M No.4689 of 2024

Date of decision: 30th January, 2024

Renu Oberoi & another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana & another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Birinder Pal, Advocate for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioners are seeking quashing of Complaint dated 04.01.2024 filed by the private respondent against them as well as issuance of directions that no coercive action be taken against them during investigation.

2. Learned counsel submits that a civil dispute is being intentionally given a criminal complexion by the respondent/complainant on account of his high connections and there is every likelihood that pursuant to a false and frivolous complaint given by the respondent/complainant on 04.01.2024, they could be arrested by the police. He submits that the petitioners themselves were shocked when they learnt about the frivolous complaint made by respondent/complainant on 04.01.2024, whereas fact of the matter was that he himself had failed to make payment in the sum of ₹ 22.50 lacs which had been promised by the complainant to the petitioners way back in October 2023. It has been further submitted that in fact it was the

respondent/complainant who had forged and fabricated an agreement to sell and thereafter, pasted it on a non-judicial stamp paper, which had not even been signed by anyone, much less the petitioners. Learned counsel further submits that even otherwise, assuming for the sake of arguments, though not admitted, that there was some grain of truth in the allegations leveled in the complaint by the respondent, it left no manner of doubt that the dispute was purely of a civil nature and hence, the petitioners could not be proceeded against under any law.

3. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioners and perused the relevant material on record.

4. This Court is not inclined to accept the prayer of the petitioners as admittedly, no FIR stands registered against the petitioners as on date. Whether the matter is of a civil nature or not, at this stage when only a complaint had been given to the official respondents, no directions, as prayed for, can be issued for, much less for quashing of the complaint/FIR in question.

5. Dismissed.

6. However, it is made clear that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

January 30, 2024

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No