

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-12436-2024
DECIDED ON: 11.03.2024

JASMER SINGH AND ORS
.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANR
.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Mr. Anil K. Sagar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

1. The jurisdiction of this Court has been invoked under Section 482 Cr.P.C., for quashing of FIR No.34 dated 05.07.2020, registered under Section 21(1) of Mines and Mineral Act at Police Station Block Majri, District SAS Nagar, Punjab with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom.
2. The grievance raised in the instant petition is that since the registration of FIR on 05.07.2020, neither any challan has been preferred nor the petitioner has been provided any information qua completion of investigation whatsoever.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioners though pleaded in the instant petition that Superintendent of Police after getting an inquiry from a Police Officer of the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police, has declared the petitioners innocent, but the same has not been approved so far by the Competent Authority i.e., Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar and on that account the petitioners are facing difficulty in getting the visa etc. to travel abroad.
4. Notice of motion.

5. On the asking of Court, Mr. Rajiv Verma, DAG Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State. He on instructions submits that the petitioners have been declared innocent on 21.08.2020 in an inquiry conducted by DSP, Kharar-2, and the same has already been approved by Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar on 22.08.2020.
6. In the light of above, the present petition is totally mis-directed and unwarranted, in the light of the fact that the assertion qua non-approval of inquiry holding the petitioners innocent has been found to be false.
7. However, in the larger interest of justice, without adverting further into the issue, State is directed to convey the inquiry report alongwith approval of Superintendent of Police within a period of one week from today vide which the petitioners were declared innocent.
8. Petition stands disposed off, in the aforesaid terms.

11.03.2024

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(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

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