

STATE OF PUNJAB VS. JASVIR SINGH AND ANR.

Present: Mr. Maninderjit Singh Bedi, Addl. A.G, Punjab.

None for the convict-respondent No. 1.

Order on quantum of Sentence:-

1. In compliance of the verdict passed by this Court on 14.8.2024, accused-convict Jasvir Singh-respondent No. 1 is produced today in custody of ASI Kanwaljit Singh for his being heard on the quantum of sentence.

2. Since the convict has been found guilty of committing an offence punishable under Section 304-B IPC, thereupon, when the substantive sentence of imprisonment as imposable, upon him is declared to be not less than seven years but which may extend upto imprisonment for life.

3. However, the convict-respondent No. 1 submits that since he is aged about 56 years, and, has undergone the agony of a protracted trial commencing from the year 1997 and lasting upto the year 2024, thereupon the substantive sentence of imprisonment to be imposed upon him, be considered to be made lasting upto a term not less than seven years.

4. The above made submission appeals to the judicial conscience of this Court. Consequently, for ensuring that the ends of justice is sub-served, besides victimology is also subserved, thereupon this Court imposes upon the convict-respondent No. 1, the substantive sentence of rigorous imprisonment lasting upto the term of seven years, for the commission of an offence punishable under Section 304-B

IPC. Moreover, this Court also deems it fit and appropriate to direct the

convict-respondent No.1 to pay compensation amount comprised in a sum of Rs. 50,000/- to the sister of the deceased. The said amount be deposited by the convict-respondent No. 1 into the accounts of the sister of the deceased, within three weeks from today.

5. The period spent in prison by the convict, thus during investigation or trial, are, in terms of Section 428 of Cr.P.C., thus, ordered to be set off from the above imposed substantive sentence(s) of imprisonment, upon, the convict.

6. The Registry of this Court, is accordingly, directed to prepare committal warrants, for therebys, the present accused/convict being lodged in Modern Jail, Faridkot.

7. Moreover, a copy of the verdict passed by this Court on 14.08.2024 along with a copy of the order of sentence passed today by this Court, be forthwith, but free of cost, be supplied, to the present accused/convict i.e. respondent No. 1.

(SURESHWAR THAKUR)
JUDGE

(SUDEEPTI SHARMA)
JUDGE

August 29, 2024
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