



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

CRM-M-29189-2022

Date of decision: 16.07.2025

KHUSHBOO

...PETITIONER

V/S

UNION TERRITORY CHANDIGARH AND OTHERS

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. P.K. Kukreja, Advocate for the petitioner.

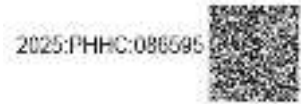
Mr. Ankur Bali, Addl. P.P., UT Chandigarh.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. This is the first petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for entrustment of investigation of case in FIR No.17 dated 10.01.2018 registered under Sections 397, 458, 506 and 34 of Indian Penal Code and Sections 25/54/59 of Arms Act at Police Station Sector-34 A, Chandigarh to an independent investigating agency.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present petition has been filed primarily on the ground that during the course of investigation, the petitioner, being a complainant has never been associated. Even after a Special Investigation Team (SIT) was constituted, the petitioner apprehends that the jurisdictional police authorities would not conduct free and fair investigation and they would present untraced report.

3. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor, UT Chandigarh submits that the investigation in the FIR (*supra*) is being carried out in a free and fair manner by the Crime Branch and a detailed investigation including the forensic investigation was carried out and all the steps taken during



investigation have been duly mentioned in the status report from paragraph 3-A to 3HH. Further, the petitioner was duly associated in the investigation. He further submits that this Court, while issuing notice of motion, has passed the interim order for not filing the final report, as such, the same could not be submitted, however, on a specific query put by this Court, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor has very fairly submits that the investigation of the FIR (*supra*) is still pending.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and without commenting further on the merits of the case lest it may prejudice either of the party and keeping in view the fact that the FIR (*supra*) was registered on 10.01.2018, the investigating agency is directed to conclude the investigation and present its report before the jurisdictional Court within a period of six weeks and the Court concerned shall consider the final report and pass appropriate orders in terms of the guidelines issued by this Court in ***Pawan Kharbanda Vs. State of Punjab and another, CRM-M-3193 of 2025.***

5. Disposed of accordingly.

July 16, 2025
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(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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| (i) | Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| (ii) | Whether reportable | Yes/No |