

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

2025:PHHC:122474



(256)

CRM-M-33795-2023

Date of Decision: 08.09.2025

Surinder Singh @ Mintu

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

--Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ.

Present:- Mr. N.S. Dandiwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. I.P.S. Sabharwal, DAG, Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ.J (Oral)

Prayer in the present petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C is for quashing of FIR No.186 dated 31.08.2022 under Sections 420, 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station, City South, Moga, District Moga.

2. The complainant has not been impleaded as a party in the present petition. It also transpires that the present petition had been filed in July, 2023 by which time the investigation had already been concluded and consequent upon filing of the final report, the charge had also been framed against the petitioner herein on 03.05.2023. The order framing charge has not been challenged. Prima facie, both these concealments and no disclosure would go to the root of the present case and cast aspersions with respect to the manner in which an interim order had been obtained on 05.12.2023.

3. In view of the above, cognizance of the matter has already been taken and prima facie findings of culpable offence were made out and charges were framed.

4. The said order is not a subject matter of challenge in the present petition. Hence, there is no occasion for this Court to entertain the present petition seeking quashing of impugned FIR, at this stage, once latest developments have taken place. Similarly, even though, the reply in the present petition was filed by the respondent-State in September, 2023, however, despite a lapse of more than 1 ½ years since filing of the reply, no effort has been made to carry out necessary amendment in the present petition or to make a voluntary disclosure of the concealment of the facts that have been made on behalf of the petitioner.

5. Consequently, the present petition is dismissed. Liberty is, however, granted to the petitioner to take recourse to the appropriate remedies in accordance with law, if, so advised.

08.09.2025

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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No