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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH
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CRM-M-48628-2023 (O & M)
Date of decision:19.08.2025

Piara Singh

..... Petitioner

V/s

State of Punjab and anr.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Rakesh Kumar, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Toor, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Arav Gupta, Advocate as Amicus Curiae,
for respondent No.2.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (Oral)

This is a petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of the FIR No.0067 dated 17.07.2020 under Sections 484/485/506 and 500 IPC, registered at Police Station Singh Bhagwantpur, District Rupnagar (Annexure P-1) alongwith challan submitted by the police (Annexure P-2) and the consequential proceedings arising therefrom.

2. The present FIR came to be registered at the instance of Satwinder Kaur-respondent No.2 and reads as under:-

Copy of application no. 252-SLP dated 17.07.2020 to Director General of Police Punjab, Chandigarh. Subject:- after preparing the fake I.D. on Youtube and Facebook circulating the news <http://youtube/g/x/w> my poco,



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<http://www.facebook.com/jagabanionline/video1392716665>

1357559 it is request that I Satwinder Kaur wife of Late Sh. Harpreet Singh (Ghosla) resident of Morinda City, District Ropar, Amarjit has played a big fraud with me he taken me on the false promise of marriage and regarding this I have approached to this Hon'ble High Court, Session Court Ropar Police Station Bhagwantpur and proceedings are going on, and now he is blackmailing me, and also extending the threats of killing, and FIR has been recorded on 02.04.2019 against him 323/341/506 Police Station Morinda and two times 751 have also recorded, and he is blackmailing me by attaching with the drugs smuggler, and qua that report has been prepared that in the same it has been found there is no truth, and in the Police Station Senior Superintendent of Police Batala, Senior Superintendent of Police Dera Baba Nanak, Senior Superintendent of Police Ropar, Director General of Police Punjab, Inspector General Of Police Rupnagar, and all the complaint filed by the Amarjit have been found false, and presently he is blackmailing me with DSP Gurdeep Singh Saini on Youtube, who has no relation with me, who was earlier posted as SHO in Bhagwantpur, who was related to me in the property dispute with the in-laws, and he never met me at home or outside, and Amarjit is defaming me in media, and the news which is existing, no media has taken consent on me, it is requested that keeping in view my future the video circulating on the youtube may kindly be stopped, Amarjit Singh and Journalist who has circulated the video action be taken against him, your thanking you, Satwinder Kaur.



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3. On culmination of investigation, the report under Section 173(2) Cr.p.C. was presented and the relevant extract of the same is as under:-

The conclusion report of the inquiry, on behalf of me (Inspector) the inquiry conducted till now, and in view of the statement recorded and the photocopy of news item of the newspaper and CD of the video attached with the same, which is given to defame the applicant, after perusing the same, the Amarjit on Whats-App No. 7528951863 sent a video and audio record on 11.07.2020 the same on the whats-app number of the applicant i.e. 7526873376 and after perusing the CD, that the marriage of Satwinder Kaur wife of late Harpreet Singh R/o Ghosal P.S. Singh Bhagwantpur, Distrcit Rupnagar present R/o Dholan Majra Colony Rupnagar City Morinda District Kapurthala was solemnized on year 1999 with Harpreet Singh S/o Avtar Singh R/o Village Ghosal P.S. Bhagwantpur, District Rupnagar and the Harpreet Singh was residing in Lebanon and the Satwinder Kaur also accompanied him and they have two children, one girl and one boy, in 2015 the Harpreet Singh died in Lebanon, then Satwinder Kaur after coming from abroad with children started living in the house built by her husband in-laws village Ghosal, and in the sanme house her father in law (Avtar Singh) Mother in law (Sawaran Jit Kaur) and brother in law (Amandeep Singh @ Sona) and his wife are also residing and there was family dispute was existing and due to that application were submitted, and during that Satwinder Kaur came into the contact of Amarjit Singh s/o Pyara Singh Village Udhowali, Tehsil Dera Baba Nanak District Gurdaspur then she contacted second marriage with Amarjit Singh above said, and after that the compromise was affected with the family



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of earlier in-laws with interventional of respectable laws, and later on they refused to implement the compromise, and Satwinder Kaur was residing with her second husband Amarjit Singh in in-laws house (Ghosal) and during that Amarjit Singh connived with them, and started raising demand of money from the applicant, and he started extending the threats to kill both the children and due to his political reach and also to implicate in false cases, and started giving application, and the Amarjit Singh Udhewali and his father and family members also started giving threats, on 13.07.2019 they gave the name of the complainant in the newspaper and youtube, and tagged her name with SHO Gurdeep Singh Saini of that time P.S. Singh Bhagwantpura, Rupnagar, so due to that Amarjit Singh defame the complainant in whole world and due to that Amarjit and his father Pyara Singh and family members after connivance defame the applicant, and according to the statement of complainant Satwinder Kaur, she has filed the divorce case in the Court at Rupnagar, that Youtube channel Kamal, Harpreet Jasiwal Chandigarh and the reporter of Jag-Vaani have viral the fake news and viral the video without hearing the defence of the applicant, and the CD presented by her and the video and audio recording sent by Amarjit Singh from his phone number 7528551863 on 11.07.2020, the applicant produced the CD in the video, on 15.07.2020 the Amarjit Singh stated that he will put himself on fire at about 11:15 in front of the SSP Office, the report is same attached, the Amarjit Singh S/o Pyara Singh R/o Village Udhewali Tehsil Dera Baba Nanak, Gurdaspur, the investigation is liable to be conducted against them u/s 484, 485, 506, 500 IPC after recording the FIR, and during the course of investigation some other persons are found to be involved then same can be considered and if the report is



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appropriate then the SHO Singh Bhagwantpur be directed to registered the FIR and investigate the matter report is submitted Sd/ incharge CIA Rupnagar, on 14.07.2020 by agreeing with the report, SSP Sahib Rupnagar has written "approved by agreeing with the same, Sd/-Swapan Sharma IPS Senior Superintendent of Police 17.07.2020, and the initial investigation done by SI Satnam Singh, and thereafter the investigation of this case FIR is done by ASI Kashmiri Lal 1506/R ASI Sudesh Kumar 855/R, who made all the efforts to arrest the accused but the accused are notorious persons and who was not available on the address and there arrest is not possible, and after arrest of the accused the separate supplementary challan be submitted, ASI Satnam Singh ASI Kashmiri Lal 1506/R, AS Sudesh Kumar 855/R in view of there investigation and in view of my verification of investigation for the offences 484/485/506/500 IPC the time for submitting the challan has been passed against Amarjit Singh S/o Payara Singh S/o Kharak Singh and Pyara Singh S/o Kharak Singh Village Udhowali Tehsil Dera Baba Nanak District Gurdaspur, so the challan u/s 173 in the FIR is sent to you for approval, and the approval be given, the arrest of the accused is pending during investigation the witness will give statement according to the list attached, and they may be called through summones.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations of the petitioner making defamatory statements against respondent No.-2/Satwinder Kaur and circulating the same are baseless. There is no such video where the petitioner can be seen making any statement against the complainant/respondent No.2. The defamatory video,



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if any, is of Amarjit Singh alone. He, therefore, contends that the present FIR (Annexure P-1), report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. (Annexure P-2) and the consequential proceedings arising therefrom are liable to be quashed qua the petitioner.

5. The learned counsel for the State, on the other hand, while referring to the affidavit dated 31.01.2024 contends that the petitioner-Piara Singh and his son Amarjit Singh/co-accused had held a press conference against complainant-respondent No.2/Satwinder Kaur and had levelled false allegations that she had been indulging in illegal sale of intoxicating drugs. There were photographs and videos wherein the petitioner could be seen alongwith his son-Amarjit Singh levelling such allegations. However, on his having examined the record, he concedes that the video is only of Amarjit Singh giving a sound bite to an anchor to the effect that complainant-respondent No.2 was involved in the drug trade alongwith one DSP.

6. None had appeared on behalf of respondents No.2 despite service. Consequently, Mr. Arav Gupta, Advocate, had been appointed as an Amicus Curiae to represent respondent No.2 in this case. On examination of the record, the Amicus Curiae fairly concedes that there is no such video in the report under Section 173(2) Cr.P.C. where the petitioner can be seen making any defamatory statement against the complainant-respondent No.2. However, there is one video where Amarjit Singh can be seen making a statement pertaining to the complainant-respondent No.2.

7. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.



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8. The arguments of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the allegations levelled in the FIR and the report under Section 173(2) Cr.P.C. of the petitioner making defamatory statements is not borne out from the record as has been admitted not only by the learned State counsel but also by the Amicus Curiae, both of whom have equivocally stated that in the video which is a part of the report under Section 173(2) Cr.P.C. only Amarjit Singh is seen talking to a Journalist but not the petitioner. Therefore, apparently, no offence is made out qua the petitioner and the institution of the instant proceedings are nothing but an abuse of the process of the Court qua petitioner.

9. In view of the above discussion, the FIR No.0067 dated 17.07.2020 under Sections 484/485/506 and 500 IPC, registered at Police Station Singh Bhagwantpur, District Rupnagar (Annexure P-1), the report under Section 173(2) Cr.P.C. and all the consequential proceedings arising therefrom stand quashed qua the petitioner.

10. The pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of accordingly.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

August 19, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No