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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH
(281)**

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Date of decision: 11.09.2025

Makhan Lal Bansal

... Petitioner(s)

V/s

State of Punjab and ors.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Ms. Isha Goyal, Advocate (Thr. V.C.),
for the petitioners.

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

Mr. D.K. Singla, Advocate, for the complainant.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (Oral)

The prayer in the present petition under Section 528 BNSS is for quashing of the notice dated 26.08.2025 (received on Whatsapp) for appearance on the said date issued by the office of respondent No.3.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the notice could not have been sent on Whatsapp and therefore, the said notice is liable to be quashed.

3. The learned counsel for the State contends that henceforth the notice shall be served in person or through other permissible means.

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

5. In view of the above, notice dated 26.08.2025 to the extent that it directs the petitioner to appear in the office of respondent No.3 and has been sent on Whatsapp, stands quashed.

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6. However, it is made clear that this Court has expressed absolutely no opinion on the allegations sought to be levelled against the petitioner by the complainant-Rajiv Kumar Modi. Further, the investigating agency is free to send notice(s) in accordance with law for the appearance of the accused including the petitioner.

September 11, 2025
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(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No