

2026:PHHC:069148



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

CRM-M-14492-2024

Date of decision :05.05.2026

GURJIT SINGH

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. Attar Ahmed, AAG, Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (ORAL)

The prayer in the present petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for the issuance of directions to the official respondents to file the status report in case FIR No.148 dated 27.08.2020 registered under Section 346 IPC at Police Station Anaj Mandi, District Patiala and to get conducted investigation in a fair and impartial manner.

2. None has put in appearance on behalf of the petitioner.
3. A perusal of the petition would reveal that it is the case of the petitioner that his son Karanvir Singh went missing and is said to have drowned in the Bhakra Canal and he suspected of respondent Nos.5 to 7. The petitioner was called for identification of the body but he specifically told the police that the body was not of his son. The police had also got conducted a DNA test of the petitioner. Despite making repeated applications seeking information into the missing of his son, the Investigating Agency instead of investigating the matter in a fair manner

has filed a cancellation report. The petitioner appeared in the case but refused to accept the same. It is therefore, prayed that directions be issued for proper investigation.

4. A status report dated 26.07.2025 by way of an affidavit of Manoj Gors, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, City-2, District Patiala has been filed on behalf of the State by the learned counsel for the State. The same is taken on record. While referring to the reply, he contends that it has been found by way of a forensic DNA test that the deceased shares a paternal lineage with the petitioner. Therefore, the body found was of the son of the petitioner. Apparently, it is an accidental death due to drowning. Initially, a cancellation report was filed which was not accepted by the petitioner. Later, an untraced report has been submitted in Court on 16.11.2023 which is pending adjudication.

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

6. In view of the contentions of the State, no further orders are required to be passed by this Court at this stage as apparently, it seems to be a case of accidental death by drowning.

7. Be that as it may, the petitioner is at liberty to avail his remedies in accordance with law with respect to the untrace report submitted.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

05.05.2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No
Whether reportable:- Yes/No