



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

107**CRR-731-2026**

Date of Decision: 18.05.2026

Virender Rana

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and another

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA

Present: Mr. Raj Kumar, Advocate for
Mr. Parveen Chauhan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Shiva Khurmi, DAG, Haryana.

ANOOP CHITKARA, J.

Aggrieved by the order dated 19.01.2026 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Karnal, vide which the application under Section 319 CrPC filed by the petitioner was dismissed, petitioner had come up before this Court by filing the present criminal revision petition.

2. The present petition has been filed by the investigator-Virender Rana, who had conducted investigation in a case of NDPS Act.

3. Counsel for the State submits that the prosecution launched under NDPS Act, has resulted into conviction of Balraj Singh and Dilbag Singh and they have been convicted and sentence accordingly.

4. Through the present petition, now the petitioner wanted Gurdayal Singh @ Hardayal Singh to be arraigned as an accused.

5. It is strange that the petitioner has assumed the role of a private complainant or an aggrieved person. The statute affords standing only to the State, the victim, and the complainant, depending on the case and their respective roles. In a case under the NDPS Act, the victim is society, and the sole complainant is the State. Simply because the petitioner acted as an investigator does not entitle him to step into the shoes of the State and file an

application under Section 319 CrPC. If the petitioner had any remaining grievances, he was at liberty to approach the Human Rights Commission or the Lokayukta directly, or file a complaint before the concerned DGP—remedies which still remain open to him. However, as far as the present petition is concerned, it is not maintainable due to a want of locus.

6. Petition dismissed with the aforesaid observation. Pending applications if any, stand disposed of.

(ANOOP CHITKARA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether reportable?	No