

2026:PHHC:023239



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

**CRM-M-50257-2023
Date of decision :16.02.2026**

VIRENDER SOOD

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Yogesh Goel, Advocate with
Ms. Nitika Malhotra, Advocate and
Mr. Lakshay Goel, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Toor, A.A.G., Punjab.

(THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCING)

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (ORAL)

The prayer in the present petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for issuance of directions to respondent Nos.2 to 4 to complete investigation and submit report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. in FIR No.86 dated 17.04.2021 registered under Sections 420/120-B IPC, Sections 66(C)/66(D) I.T. Act, 2000 at Police Station Haibowal, District Ludhiana.

An affidavit dated 13.02.2026 by way of an affidavit of Swapn Sharma, IPS, Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana has been filed on behalf of the State by the learned counsel for the State. The same is taken on record.

The learned State counsel at the very outset submits that it is a case of negligence and an appropriate action has been taken against the

errant police officials for not conducting the investigation in a time bound manner. In fact, 13 police officials have been issued show cause notices. He further assures this Court that the report under Section 173(2) Cr.P.C. shall be submitted positively within a period of four weeks from today.

In view of the above, no further orders are required to be passed by this Court.

Disposed of.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

16.02.2026
JITESH

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