

Mohan Lal versus The State of H.P. & ors.

CWP No.2443 of 2025

18.02.2025 Present: Mr. Kul Bhushan Khajuria, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Navlesh Verma, Additional Advocate
General, for respondents No.1 to 5.

**CWP No.2443 of 2025 & CMP No.2393 of
2025**

Heard.

Notice. Mr. Navlesh Verma, Learned
Additional Advocate General, accepts and waives
service of notice on behalf of respondents No.1
to 5. As prayed for by Learned State Counsel, let
reply to writ petition, be filed within two weeks.

2. Separate notice be also issued to
Respondent No.6 [Ashok Kumar] being
the Investigating Officer-cum-SHO concerned
returnable as aforesaid, on taking steps, within
two days.

3. Grievance of the petitioner is that a
complaint was lodged by one Norang, leading to
registration of FIR No.02 of 2025, dated
03.01.2025, under Section 420 & 120-B of the
Indian Penal Code, with Police Station Tissa,
District Chamba, against unknown persons. Since,

the petitioner was apprehending his arrest, on the basis of false complaint, the petitioner [Mohan Lal], approached this Court for pre-arrest bail i.e. Cr.MP(M) No.161 of 2025, which was granted on 22.01.2025 [*Annexure P-2*], with directions to petitioner to appear before Investigating Officer, Police Station Tissa, on 24.01.2025, at 11:00 a.m. It is submitted that after being extended benefit of pre-arrest bail, the petitioner presented himself before Respondent No.6-Investigating Officer-cum-SHO, Police Station Tissa on 24.01.2025, wherein, the petitioner was manhandled by Respondent No.6 [Ashok Kumar], resulting in hearing impairment of the petitioner, as in borne out, from *Annexure P-5*, when such torturous acts are alleged to be uncalled for and in these circumstances, the petitioner has prayed for changing the Investigating Officer-Respondent No.6 qua FIR No.02 of 2025, dated 03.01.2025 and action against him.

In view of the contentions raised, by Learned Counsel for petitioner, let reply to writ petition and application be filed in aforesaid terms.

Matter be listed before appropriate
Bench on **06.03.2025**.

February 18, 2025
(Shivender)

(Ranjan Sharma)
Vacation Judge