

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P.(Cr.) No. 652 of 2022

Mahendra Singh

..... ... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand & Ors.

..... ... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner : Mr. Shree Nivas Roy, Advocate.
For the State : Mr. Ravi Kerketta, S.C.-VI

10/ 02.09.2024 Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the trial was conducted against the apprehended accused persons, with regard to the murder of the uncle of the petitioner. He submits that by the first order, three persons were convicted and thereafter the trial was split up and subsequently, four persons were also convicted. He submits that in the case, three persons have already expired. He further submits that still five accused persons are yet to be arrested. He submits that the State has filed a vague supplementary counter affidavit, stating that one person has also been arrested and they are also trying their best to arrest the rest of the persons. He further submits that in paras-6, 7 and 8 of the second supplementary affidavit, filed on behalf of the petitioner, it has been disclosed that the accused persons Sahdeo Mahto is a Government Teacher and residing in his home town, Umesh Mahto is a constable and posted at Barhi and Chotan Pasi is working in the CCL Mining Department. He submits that the petitioner is having the knowledge of these three persons, in spite of that the State has not filed appropriate supplementary counter affidavit.

2. Learned counsel appearing for the respondents-State submits that the supplementary counter affidavit has been filed, where in para-6, it has been disclosed that rest of the accused persons are still absconding and the raid was also conducted.

3. In view of the above, it transpires that so far as three persons are concerned, if the petitioner is knowing the whereabouts of

them, how the police will not chase them, it is very strange.

4. As such, the respondents-State shall further file the supplementary counter affidavit within four weeks.

5. Let this matter appear after four weeks.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

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