IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

237 CRM-M-35002-2017

RYAN AUGUSTINE PINTO VS STATE OF HARYANA AND ANR

237A <u>CRM-M-35003-2017</u>

DR. AUGUSTINE FRANCIS PINTO & ANR.

VS

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANR

Present: Mr. R.S. Cheema, Sr. Advocate &

Mr. R.S. Rai, Sr. Advocate with

Mr. Sandeep Kapur & Mr. Anurag Arora, Advocate

for petitioners in both the petitions.

Mr. Deepak Sabharwal, Addl. AG, Haryana.

Mr. Sushil K. Tekriwal and Mr. Anupam Singla, Advocates

for the complainant.

Mr. Arun Gupta and Mr. Arav Gupta, Advocates

for the Chandigarh Parents Association.

Mr. Sumeet Goel, Advocate

Retainer counsel for respondent-CBI.

At the very outset, learned retainer counsel for CBI seeks adjournment to file reply in these petitions.

Learned counsel for petitioners submit that these petitions are pending since 19.09.2017. Learned retainer counsel for CBI has put in appearance on 25.09.2017. They, however, do not oppose grant of adjournment on the request of learned retainer counsel for the CBI but seek protection of petitioners till next date.

Learned retainer counsel for CBI though does not want to argue the case on merit but he wants to address arguments on interim relief being sought by petitioners.

As learned retainer counsel for CBI has sought adjournment to file reply on merits and to address arguments, it will be appropriate that petitions be heard on merit and decided instead of hearing the part

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arguments, which will certainly touch merits of the case.

List on 07.10.2017.

In the meanwhile, arrest of petitioners shall remain stayed till next date. However, if required, they will be called and allowed to join investigation.

These petitions be segregated from CRM-M-35035 and CRM-M-34995 of 2017.

Copy of this order be placed on the file of other connected matter.

September 28, 2017 jk

(SURINDER GUPTA) JUDGE