

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

**Crl. Writ Petition No. 152 of 2015
Date of decision : 13.02.2015**

Veer SinghPetitioner
versus
State of Haryana & others ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. Vishal Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. C.S. Bakshi, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

Mr. Rajesh Goyal, Advocate for respondents No.5 and 7.

RITU BAHRI, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is praying for issuance of a writ, order or direction in the nature of habeas corpus directing the respondents to release the detenues mentioned in para No.3 and further prayer to appoint the warrant officer with a power of roving writ to locate the detenues and set them free along with their belongings from the illegal bondage of respondents No.4 to 6. Prayer is further made that the fee and expenses of journey of the warrant officer, be borne by the State of Haryana. Respondents No.4 to 6 be also punished under the Bonded Labour (abolition) Act, 1976 and the Scheduled Caste and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

Pursuant to the order dated 02.02.2015, report of the Warrant Officer has been received according to which, detenues were found available on the Pather of Nitin Bricks, near Power House,

Sarakpur Road, Barara District Ambala at the time of visit of Warrant Officer. The Pather is located in open field and labourers were staying in their huts. Their stay was not found restricted in any way as their movement was not restricted in any manner. So, their stay at Brick Kiln cannot be termed as illegal detention. After identifying all 06 alleged labourers released alongwith their belongings and custody given to the petitioner-Veer Singh, who left Nitin Bricks, Brick Kiln, Sarakpur Road, Barara and left for his native by conveyance i.e. pick up HR-37-C-4860 and HR-37-C-3674, which were arranged by the petitioner himself.

In view of the report of the Warrant Officer, no further orders are required to be passed.

Disposed of.

13.02.2015
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JUDGE