

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

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**Civil Writ Petition No.20849 of 2017  
Date of Decision: October 11, 2017**

Ravinder Singh Dhull, Advocate

...Petitioner

versus

Union of India and others

...Respondents

***CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY KUMAR MITTAL  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMIT RAWAL***

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Present: Mr. Ravinder Singh Dhull, Advocate-petitioner in person.

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**AJAY KUMAR MITTAL, J. (Oral)**

The prayer in this petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India in the form of Public Interest Litigation, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus to constitute a Special Task Force for checking of all schools within jurisdiction of this Court for the safety of children inside the school campuses and to take written undertaking from the schools in this regard and to frame a comprehensive safety code for the schools in the States of Haryana, Punjab and UT. Further prayer has also been made to frame a policy relating to compensation to the victims of violence or abuse inside the school premises or within active custody of the school either in school buses or otherwise and to appoint District level Bodies specially dedicated to cater needs of safety of students quickly which can take

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prompt action and give necessary and timely directions in this regard in future and to affix the responsibility of school managements in such cases in view of the maxim respondent responsible. Moreover, prayer is also to issue directions/guidelines for periodic visits by the members of the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights and District Child Welfare Committees for ensuring the welfare and safety of children in the schools.

2. At the outset, the petitioner while appearing in person, states that he may be allowed to withdraw the present writ petition as the similar matter is pending before the Apex Court and he wishes to file an application for intervening in the said case.

3. Dismissed as withdrawn. It shall, however, be open to the petitioner to take recourse to the remedies as may be available to him, in accordance with law.

**(AJAY KUMAR MITTAL)**  
**JUDGE**

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**(AMIT RAWAL)**  
**JUDGE**

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| Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable?        | Yes/No |