

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

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**CRM-M No. 18921 of 2018
Date of decision : 29.10.2018**

Arjun

.....Petitioner

v.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present:- Mr. Upender Prashar, Advocate, for the petitioner

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab

FATEH DEEP SINGH, J. (Oral)

Learned State counsel has made statement that the investigation in this case has already been concluded; challan has already been presented and charges have already been framed and the accused has been put to trial.

Faced with this situation, learned counsel for the petitioner has made statement withdrawing his first relief regarding issuance of directions for carrying proper and fair investigation in this case.

Dismissed as withdrawn to that point only.

However, in light of the second prayer, arguments put forward by learned counsel for the petitioner.

Since the petitioner and his family members are apprehensive of threat to their life and personal liberty at the hands of private respondents, with a view to stifle the trial by pressurising them to resile in the same, in light of the same, official respondents to ensure protection of life and personal liberty of the petitioner as well as his family members and to take expeditious action

on his oral/written complaint, whichever the case may be, without loss of time, preferably within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt of copy of this order, in accordance with law.

Learned trial Court to ensure that it takes appropriate steps in ensuring implementation of the witnesses protection program to make essential that the witnesses are not harassed, intimidated at the trial.

Disposed of.

However, the petitioner shall be at liberty to take up these pleas, taken up in this petition, before the trial Court.

(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE

29.10.2018
Ashwani

Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Reportable	Yes/No