

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

CRM-M-32261-2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision:-31.7.2018

Sandeep Kumar Pathak

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Siddharth Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

By way of filing this petition, the petitioner seeks issuance of directions to respondents No.1 to 7 so as to protect life and liberty of the petitioner and also of other members of 'Shri Jai Durga Mahakali Mandir Welfare Society, Bathinda'. Another prayer has been made for taking appropriate legal action against private respondents No.8 to 16 for violating the directions issued by respondent No.3-District Magistrate, Bathinda vide letter dated 29.5.2018 and also for committing theft in the 'Golak' of the 'Mandir'. Another prayer has been made therein for issuance of directions to the official respondents to collect CCTV footage installed in the premises of 'Mandir' so as to verify the allegations levelled by the petitioner.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.4-Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda to look into the matter and to dispose of the representation (Annexure P-12) dated 6.6.2018, moved by 'Shri Jai Durga Mahakali

Mandir Welfare Society, Bathinda' expeditiously in accordance with law. In case the allegations contained therein are found to be well founded, then necessary steps be taken thereupon as warranted under law. In case there is any apprehension of threat to life and liberty of the petitioner or other members of society then requisite steps for ensuring that no harm is caused to them, be taken. Further, if the allegation regarding theft in the 'Golak' of 'Mandir' is found to be *prima facie* correct, then necessary action as warranted under law, be taken against the culprits. A copy of this order alongwith representation (Annexure P-12) dated 6.6.2018 be sent to respondent No.4-Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda so as to enable him to dispose of the matter expeditiously.

31.7.2018

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**(Gurvinder Singh Gill)
Judge**

Whether speaking /reasoned Yes / No

Whether Reportable Yes / No