

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-50623-2018
Date of decision:16.11.2018

Rachpal Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. B.R. Rana-I, Advocate
for the petitioner.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner prays for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to protect his life and liberty as he apprehends threat to the same at the hands of respondents No.7 to 11.

Learned counsel has submitted that respondents No.7 to 11 had murdered his father in the year 2005, regarding which one FIR was lodged. Subsequently, the said accused had been threatening him and had been pressurizing him to effect compromise constraining the petitioner to approach Human Rights Commission, Punjab, which ordered for providing security in the shape of gunman to the petitioner.

It has been submitted that despite the petitioner having been provided gunman, he was attacked by some person who had been engaged by respondents No.7 to 11 and regarding which another FIR was lodged in the year 2005 itself. It is further submitted that accused No.7 to 11 were convicted in the year 2011 in respect of the murder case lodged

against them in the year 2005 and that after the said accused were convicted in the year 2011, the police withdrew the security in the shape of gunman which had been provided to him. However, but now after respondents No.7 to 11 have been released on bail, the said respondents No.7 to 11 are again threatening him with dire consequences. It is submitted that although representation Annexure P-5 had made by the petitioner to the Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana but the same has not been decided so far.

Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana to look into the matter and to dispose of representation (Annexure P-5) expeditiously and in case, the allegations made therein are found to be well-founded then necessary steps warranted under law be taken thereupon at the earliest. It is further directed that in view of the background stated in the present petition, if there is any genuine apprehension of threat to life and liberty of the petitioner, then adequate steps be taken so as to ensure that no harm is caused to the petitioner.

A copy of this order along with copy of representation (Annexure P-5) be sent to respondent No.2-Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.

(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

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Whether reasoned / speaking? Yes / No