

**In the High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

CRM-M-13329-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision:-25.3.2019

Tega Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Simranjit Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

The petitioner has approached this Court seeking issuance of necessary directions to take action against the police officials, who are responsible for his illegal arrest, torture, disrespect of religious symbols and for his confinement in the police station.

The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is Ex. Director of Market Committee and is presently doing social work. It has been submitted that the local MLA namely Harinder Singh Gill pressurized the petitioner to support his candidate during the Panchayat elections and upon the petitioner not agreeing for the same, there was heated exchange of words between them. It has further been submitted that on 31.12.2018, the petitioner was arrested by SHO Kamalpreet Singh of Police Station Sharhali along with ASI Lakbir Singh of Police Post Naushera Panuann, Gurpreet Singh, MHC and other police officials at the instance of the local MLA and his turban was also removed forcibly and he was kept

confined in the police station till evening when he was released with the intervention of the respectables.

The learned counsel has submitted that immediately after his illegal detention, his wife informed Senior Superintendent of Police, Tarn Taran through his mobile No.96466-27248 and that even thereafter the petitioner and other members of his family are being threatened by the police.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, District Tarn Taran to look into the matter and to dispose of the representation dated 18.1.2019 (Annexure P-1), moved by the petitioner, expeditiously, in accordance with law. In case the allegations levelled therein are found to be well founded, then necessary steps be taken thereupon as warranted under law at the earliest.

Since, in the present case, the allegations are against the police official, therefore, it is directed that the matter be got inquired into by a senior officer not below the rank of Superintendent of Police.

A copy of this order alongwith representation dated 18.1.2019 (Annexure P-1) be sent to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, District Tarn Taran so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.

25.3.2019

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**(Gurvinder Singh Gill)
Judge**

Whether reasoned/speaking

Yes / No

Whether reportable

Yes / No