

CWP-PIL No.9 of 2020

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

**CWP-PIL No.9 of 2020
Date of decision: 17.01.2020**

Jagmohan Singh Bhatti

... Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA,
CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE**

Present: Petitioner in person.

RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral)

This petition has been filed, praying for the following main
reliefs:-

- “b) To summon the entire records;*
- c) For the issuance of the writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to frame guidelines for the use of water cannons or any other force against the people making any meeting, the demonstration or a procession or gathering or congregation leading to a peaceful march or procession against the Government/Administration or any other authority as per the constitutional guarantee as enshrined under Article 19 of the Constitution of India;*
- d) To issue a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to initiate action against the police force violating*

the norms of force to be used and the persons so held guilty be subjected to the disciplinary action for having violated the constitutional guarantee;

e) To issue a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to compensate the person suffering any injury harm or other type of mental pain and agony or mental torture at the hands of the law enforcing agency in a manner violating the cannons and norms of use of force and to issue a roving enquiry in the matter;

f) To issue any other appropriate Writ, Order or Direction which this Hon'ble High Court may deem fit and proper be issued in favour of the petitioner.”

Petitioner submits that this Court should lay down guidelines for use of water cannons or any other means used by the police against those who indulge in demonstrations, and to initiate action against the police force violating norms of the force, and to punish those who are guilty as well as initiate disciplinary proceedings against them. Petitioner has also prayed for conducting a roving enquiry and thereafter direct the respondents to compensate the persons who have suffered any injury or harm and other types of mental pain and agony.

From a bare perusal of the prayers made by the petitioner, it is evident that the petitioner, without laying any foundational basis, has requested this Court to frame guidelines and to conduct roving enquiry and thereafter punish the guilty officers/officials of police force, and compensate those who have suffered injury or harm.

We are of the considered opinion that such a vague petition

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cannot be entertained and no direction is required to be issued by this Court in such a petition, more so, when all remedies to the individuals, who are otherwise sufferers, are available, in law. We refuse to entertain this petition. Thus, the petition is accordingly dismissed.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

January 17, 2020
AK Sharma

Whether speaking / reasoned: YES
Whether Reportable: NO