

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

**CRWP No.3333 of 2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision : 01.06.2020**

Banta Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Sapan Dhir, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

The petition has been taken for hearing through video conference due to Covid-19 pandemic.

CRM-W-276 and 277 of 2020

These are applications for exemption from filing certified/original copies of Annexure P-1 (colly) and for filing true typed copies of the same and filing of Court fees in main petition.

Applications are allowed as prayed for.

CRWP No.3333 of 2020

The present petition has been filed seeking the writ in the nature of habeas corpus for the release of son-in-law of the petitioner, namely, Jagtar Singh, who according to the petitioner, is in the illegal custody of respondent No.4 and 5.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner has already submitted a representation to respondents No.2 and 3 in that regard but, he has not retained the copy of the said representation. Learned counsel

for the petitioner further states that the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to respondent No.3 to decide the representation filed by the petitioner with respect to the allegation of illegal custody of his son-in-law namely, Jagtar Singh at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5 by passing an appropriate order as the same is still pending consideration of the said authority.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab, who has joined the video proceedings, on service of advance copy of the petition, accepts notice on behalf of State of Punjab.

Learned State counsel states that in case any representation is filed by the petitioner with respondent No.3 with respect to the allegation of illegal custody of son-in-law of the petitioner, namely, Jagtar Singh at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5, the same will be decided expeditiously.

In view of the request made, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in this petition, respondent No.3 is directed to decide the representation, if any, made by the petitioner by passing an appropriate order within a period of 30 days from the date of receipt of copy of this order and take appropriate action if needed.

Writ petition stands disposed of accordingly

June 01, 2020
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE