

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

Sr. No.109

CRWP-7368-2020

Date of Decision: September 18, 2020

MANJINDER SINGH

...Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ARCHANA PURI

Present: Ms. Gursharan K. Mann, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

ARCHANA PURI, J.

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing in the light of COVID-19 pandemic.

Through the present petition, the petitioner-Manjinder Singh, is seeking issuance of direction to the official respondents to protect the life, liberty and property of himself and his family, from the hands of respondent No.5, who is Reader of SP (D) Tarn Taran.

It is stated in the petition that there was a dispute of the petitioner with one Harwinder Singh, whose land was adjoining to the land of the petitioner, which was settled with the intervention of the respectables of village and compromise was effected. However, Harwinder Singh was

nursing grievance, relating to which, an untoward incident had taken place on 17.07.2020, in which the brother of the petitioner, namely, Gurdev Singh had died, relating to which an FIR bearing No.222 dated 18.07.2020 under Sections 302, 307, 34 IPC and Sections 25/27 of Arms Act, was also got registered at Police Station Sirhali, District Tarn Taran. Now, it is the grievance of the petitioner that despite registration of the FIR, no action is being initiated by the police officials, as respondent No.5, namely, Ajmer Singh, is meddling with the investigation of the present case. Relating to the same, even representation dated 03.08.2020 has been filed by the petitioner before I.G. Border Range, Amritsar, copy whereof is placed on record as Annexure P-4, but no action is being taken by the police authorities on the said representation.

Notice of motion.

Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Deputy Advocate General, accepts notice on behalf of official respondents No.1 to 4. Learned State Counsel has given assurance with regard to disposal of the representation dated 03.08.2020 within a period of four weeks.

In view of the aforesaid assertions and assurance so given by the learned State Counsel, the present petition is hereby disposed of with the direction to respondent No.3 to look into the matter and also to consider the representation dated 03.08.2020, copy whereof is placed on record as Annexure P-4 within a period of four weeks from today onwards, in accordance with law, and if he finds that there is any genuine apprehension of danger to the life and personal liberty of the petitioner and his family, then he is directed to take appropriate steps to ensure their protection in the

However, these observations are circumscribed only for the purposes of disposal of the present petition, without prejudice to the rights of the parties, to be adjudicated in any civil or criminal proceedings relating to murder of Gurdev Singh, brother of the petitioner.

Accordingly, the petition stands disposed of.

(ARCHANA PURI)
JUDGE

September 18, 2020
Himanshu

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No