

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-30276-2020

Date of decision : 21.12.2020

Himmat Bhardwaj

... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Mohd. Yousaf, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Ashok Giri, Advocate,
for respondents No.4 to 7.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J.(Oral)

Case has been heard through video conferencing on account of
COVID-19 Pandemic.

The petitioner has filed this petition seeking police protection
as he is apprehending threat from respondents No.4 to 7 who are interfering
in the development work being carried out by the petitioner being Sarpanch
of his village.

The petition is contested by the respondents.

Written reply on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 was filed in
which it was submitted that four complaints lodged by the petitioner were
disposed of by the police after proper enquiry into the matter., However,
proceedings has already been initiated against the petitioner as well as the
private respondents under Sections 107/151 Cr.P.C..

I have heard the counsel for the parties. There appears to be

regarding which proceedings as per law has already been initiated by the police under Sections 107/151 Cr.P.C. Admittedly, both the parties belong to same village and the petitioner is the Sarpanch of the village. The petitioner is seeking protection as the private respondents are interfering in the development works being carried out in the village by him (Gram Panchayat).

In the light of the aforesaid, I am of the view that this petition could be disposed of at this stage by issuing necessary directions. Accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with direction to respondent No.2-SSP (Rural), Jalandhar to examine the matter and in case of any threat perception, to do the needful in accordance with law. It is, however, made clear that the Court dealing with proceedings under Sections 107/151 Cr.P.C. is not to be influenced by any observations made in this order.

December 21, 2020

Paritosh Kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Yes/No
Yes/No