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

CRWP-9441-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision : 11.11.2020

Ravinder Kumar

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Haryana and others

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ALKA SARIN

Present: Mr. Aditya Partap Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Naveen Singh Panwar, DAG, Haryana.

ALKA SARIN, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The alleged detainees, whose names have been mentioned in Para No.2 of the petition, are stated to be working in a Brick Kiln under the name and style 'S.K.' situated in the area of Village Karhans, Police Station Samalkha, Tehsil Samalkha, District Panipat (Haryana) where they are alleged to be illegally detained by respondent Nos.4 and 5. Learned counsel for the petitioner has also submitted that though the petitioner has also moved application dated 05.11.2020 (Annexure P-1) to the Deputy Commissioner, District Panipat, however, no action has been taken to release the detainees.

The District Magistrate of the District is the competent authority as per Chapter-IV of Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976 to deal with such like matters. The petitioner, therefore, is relegated to avail the remedy before the District Magistrate concerned. The District Magistrate concerned is directed take immediate action in accordance with law.

In view of the above, the present petition stands disposed of.

**(ALKA SARIN)
JUDGE**

11.11.2020

Yogesh Sharma

**NOTE: Whether speaking/non-speaking: Speaking
Whether reportable: YES/NO**