

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

**CRWP-10090-2020 (O&M)
Date of decision: 03.12.2020**

Seema Rani

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. G.S. Sandhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Prayer in the present petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No. 2 to 4 to produce the daughter of petitioner, namely, Manjeet Kaur, from the illegal detention of respondents No. 5 and 6 and to take legal action against them, and further to appoint a Warrant Officer to search the premises where the daughter of the petitioner i.e. detenue has been illegally detained and produce her before the Court.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that respondent No. 5 is a drug addict and probably the daughter of the petitioner is being physically

exploited by the private respondents. He further states that after having run from pillar to post for redressal of her grievance, she moved a representation dated 01.11.2020 (Anneuxre P-1) to respondent No. 3-the Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka, for release of her daughter from the illegal detention of the private respondents. Even at this representation, no action has been taken by the authorities. The authorities are duty bound to look into the matter and it is their duty to safeguard the interest of the detainee.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further states that he would be satisfied, if representation dated 01.11.2020 (Anneuxre P-1) is decided by respondent No. 3, within a stipulated period.

Notice of motion to respondents No. 1 to 4 only.

On the asking of this Court, Mr. Mehardeep Singh Dullat, Addl. AG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No. 3-the Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka, to decide the representation dated 01.11.2020 (Anneuxre P-1) within a period of one month from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

03.12.2020

Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No