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

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Date of decision: 14.12.2020

Mahant Jaspal Dass

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Sanjiv Gupta, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution for issuance of directions to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner alongwith the followers of Dera Baba Bishan Dass of village Majhi, Tehsil Bhawanigarh, District Sangrur, and also the property of Dera, and to take action against respondents No.4 to 7 for committing forgery and also for the appointment of a receiver so as to protect the property of Dera.

At the oral request of learned counsel for the petitioner, Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, is impleaded as respondent No.8. Registry is directed to make necessary corrections in the memo of parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the Sant Samaj of Udaseen, having its roots at Haridwar, appointed the petitioner as a Mahant on 18.10.2020, vide Bhekhnama (Annexure P-4), but on the next

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date i.e. 19.10.2020, respondent No.4-Kala Dass was appointed as a Mahant, without following the proper procedure. He further submits that the petitioner has already moved a representation dated 22.10.2020 (Annexure P-9) to the Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, to look into the matter in view of the order dated 04.03.2014 (Annexure P-7) passed by the Financial Commissioner, Revenue, Punjab.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he would be satisfied, if the representation 22.10.2020 (Annexure P-9) moved by the petitioner, is decided by respondent No.8-Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, in view of the order dated 04.03.2014 (Annexure P-7), within a stipulated period.

Notice of motion to respondents No. 1 to 3 and 8 only at this stage.

On the asking of this Court, Mr. Avtar Singh Sandhu, Addl. A.G.Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 and 8.

In view of the prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner during the course of hearing, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.8-Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, to decide the representation 22.10.2020 (Annexure P-9) moved by the petitioner, in view of the order dated 04.03.2014 (Annexure P-7), within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

14.12.2020

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(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No