

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

CWP No.1257 of 2020

Date of Decision: 25.08.2020

Ramesh Kumar

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present: Mr. P. K. Rapria, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. R.K.S. Brar, Addl. A.G. Haryana.

AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (ORAL)

All cases listed today have been taken up for hearing by way of video conferencing because of the situation existing due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

On 17.08.2020 the following order had been passed:-

“All cases listed today have been taken up for hearing by way of video conferencing because of the situation existing due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

By this application, advancement of the date of hearing in the accompanying writ petition is sought, with learned counsel for the applicant-petitioner submitting that though the next date of hearing is 7.9.2020, however in the meanwhile the petitioner and his family actually have been receiving threats and have also been attacked, in respect of which two FIRs have also been registered.

He therefore submits that the petitioner, being a whistle-blower, needs to be protected even in terms of the policy of the State

Government but his representation in that regard has still not been decided, though such a representation is to be decided within one week.

Notice in the application.

Mr.R.K.S.Brar, learned Addl.AG, Haryana, accepts notice at the asking of the court and seeks time to take instructions.

For the reasons given by learned counsel for the applicant petitioner and the accompanying petition never having come up for hearing since January 17, 2020, this application is allowed and the date of hearing in the accompanying petition is advanced to 25.8.2020.

In the meanwhile, since the petitioner is stated to have been receiving threats, the Commissioner of Police, Gurugram, is directed to ensure that the petitioners' life and liberty is duly protected and that at least a short affidavit as regards the threat perception to the petitioner and his family is filed by a Deputy Commissioner of Police, by the next date of hearing positively.”

Today, learned counsel submits that as per his instructions from the petitioner, the petitioner has been provided due security, thereby rendering this petition to be infructuous.

Disposed of as such.

August 25, 2020
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(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No