

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

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CRWP-1053-2021

Date of decision: 24.02.2021

GULSHAN

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR TYAGI

Present : None for the petitioner.

Ms. Geeta Sharma, DAG, Haryana
for the respondents No.1 to 4.

ARUN KUMAR TYAGI, J (ORAL)

(The case has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing.)

The petitioner has filed present petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of Habeas Corpus for the release of alleged detenues, mentioned in para No.4 of the petition, from the illegal detention of the private respondents No.5 to 10.

The Co-ordinate Bench of this Court, vide order dated 02.02.2021, while issuing notice of motion directed respondent No.2-District Magistrate-cum-Deputy Commissioner, Ambala to treat this petition as complaint under the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976 and take immediate action in accordance with law, within a period of one week and file status report.

Reply to the petition by way of affidavit of Anil Kumar, HPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Naraingarh, District Ambala has been filed on behalf of respondents No.1 and 3 in the Registry

which is taken on record. In the reply, it has been mentioned that on 19.02.2021, the enquiry officer SI Surender Singh visited the premises of M/s Balaji Brick Kiln village Kale Majri, District Ambala and came to know that the labour working at their brick kiln had already left on 04.02.2021 in the presence of the team of officers constituted by SDM/Naraingarh and during the proceedings the statements of the labourers were recorded by the team of officers.

In compliance with order dated 02.02.2021 passed by co-ordinate Bench of this Court, status report by way of affidavit of Ashok Kumar Sharma, IAS, District Magistrate, Ambala-respondent No.2 has been filed in the Registry which is taken on record. In the Status report, it has been mentioned that premises of M/s Balaji Brick Kiln village Kale Majri, District Ambala were checked and no evidence of illegal detention/bonded labour was found. The workers mentioned at para No.4 of the petition were not kept as bonded labour by the respondents No.5 to 10 and left M/s Balaji Brick Kiln village Kale Majri, District Ambala on 04.02.2021 before the District Administration along with their family members and belongings.

In view of the reply filed by respondents No.1 and 3 and status report filed by respondent No.2-the District Magistrate, Ambala no further action is required to be taken on the present writ petition which is disposed of accordingly.

24.02.2021

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**(ARUN KUMAR TYAGI)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No