

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

CWP (PIL)-60-2021

Date of decision:- 24.03.2021

Sanjeev Bhaskar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr. L.M.Gulati, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Anu Pal, DAG, Punjab.

(The aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing since the proceedings are being conducted in virtual Court)

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RAVI SHANKER JHA, C.J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed by the petitioner by way of a Public Interest Litigation, seeking a direction to the respondent authorities to conduct an enquiry/investigation against the factories/plants, which are in the business of bottling and selling adulterated and unhygienic packed water.

It is alleged that these factories/plants are violating all the norms and guidelines issued by the concerned authorities, and selling adulterated and unhygienic water in the areas of Amritsar, Tarn Taran, Batala and Hoshiarpur. It is also alleged that necessary permission/certificate has also not been obtained from the authorising agency.

Learned Deputy Advocate General, appearing for the State of Punjab, on instructions from Sh. Manoj Khosla, Joint Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, Punjab, submits that authorities have been monitoring these factories/plants and investigation is also being conducted. She further submits that representation of the issue raised by the petitioner in the petition

would also be looked into by the authorities and an investigation would be

conducted by the authorities concerned, keeping in view the representation dated 31.1.2021 (Annexure P-1), submitted by the petitioner. It is also submitted that if so required, petitioner would also be involved in the investigation for the purpose of seeking information from him.

In view of the above, present petition is disposed of in terms of the statement made by learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab,

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

24.03.2021
AK Sharma

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