

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

CRWP No. 3450 of 2021

Date of Decision: 09.04.2021

LALIT SINGH BHULLAR

.....Petitioner

V/s.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL.

Present: Mr. Brijesh Nandan, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

The petitioner, by way of this petition, is seeking issuance of directions to the official respondents No.2 and 3 to investigate the alleged lapses in the security provided to the petitioner and further investigate the matter wherein he was allegedly manhandled by the police officials. It has been submitted that despite representations dated 16.02.2021 (Annexure P-1 and P-3) sent to respondent No.4-SSP, Tarn Taran and respondent No.5-Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer, Tarn Taran respectively followed by representation dated 24.02.2021 (Annexure P-4) to respondent No.2-Director General of Police, Punjab and representation dated 24.02.2021 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.3-ADGP Crime, Punjab Police Headquarters, no action has been taken by the authorities concerned.

The learned counsel for the petitioner vehemently urged that since, the petitioner was a senior leader of a political party and had been objecting to casting of fake votes during the local Municipal Committee elections that was the reason that he was targeted on the fateful day i.e. 14th

February 2021. It was also submitted that the official respondents may be

directed to provide him and his family, 2 to 4 additional security personnel since, he apprehended that he could be involved in cases under NDPS Act.

Heard.

In case the petitioner is aggrieved on account of the alleged security lapses and the fact of being allegedly manhandled by the Police, the proper course would be to avail of the alternate remedies under the provision of law before invoking the jurisdiction of law which admittedly he has not done.

Resultantly, this petition is hereby dismissed. However, the petitioner is at liberty to avail of alternative remedies as may be available to him.

April 9, 2021

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**[MANJARI NEHRU KAUL]
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking / reasoned</i>	:	<i>Yes /No.</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>