

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP No. 4848 of 2021

Date of Decision: 28.05.2021

Sunil Kumar

....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ALKA SARIN

Present: Mr. Sanjeet Taank, Advocate for the petitioner.

ALKA SARIN, J. (Oral)

Heard through video conferencing.

This is a petition under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing respondent no.2 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner by providing him adequate security/police protection as he apprehends danger to his life at the hands of respondent nos.4 to 7.

Learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that in this regard a representation dated 31.03.2021 (Annexure P-2) has been given to respondent no.2 – Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana. However, till date no action has been taken on the same. Learned counsel for the petitioner would further contend that at this stage he limits his prayer and would be satisfied if a direction is issued to respondent no.2 – Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana – to decide the representation dated 31.03.2021 filed by the petitioner in accordance with law.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Sr. DAG Punjab,

who has joined the session through video conferencing, accepts notice on behalf of respondent nos.1 to 3. Since the matter is not being decided on merits, the service on other respondents is dispensed with.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

In view of the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner and without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent no.2 – Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana – to either himself decide representation dated 31.03.2021 (Annexure P-2) or to relegate it to the concerned officer. The representation (Annexure P-2) be decided expeditiously in accordance with law.

Disposed off.

**(ALKA SARIN)
JUDGE**

**28th May, 2021
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NOTE: Whether speaking/non-speaking: Speaking
Whether reportable: YES/NO