

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No.20559 of 2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision:07.10.2021

RAJINDERPAL AND OTHERS

.....Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

..... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Himmat Singh Deol, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. Ayush Sarna, AAG., Punjab.

LISA GILL, J(Oral).

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

Petitioners seek a direction to the respondents to provide adequate security to them for protection of their life and liberty as they apprehend threat from certain gangsters.

Petitioners, it is stated are engaged in the liquor business for the last number of years and one of their partner was unfortunately killed, in respect to which FIR No. 0061 dated 30.07.2021, under Sections 302, 34, 120-B IPC and Section 25 and 27 of the Arms Act, Police Station Fatehgarh Churian, District Batala, Annexure P-9, was registered. Learned counsel further refers to specific instances of telephone calls whereby threats have been meted out to the petitioners which indicate grave and real threat to life and liberty of the petitioners and their family members. It is submitted that number of representations have been submitted before the authorities, but to no avail.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Ayush Sarna, AAG., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts his prayer for a decision on the representations submitted by the petitioners.

Learned counsel for the respondents, does not raise any serious objection to the restricted prayer.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances as above, but without expression of any opinion on the merits of the matter, it is directed that present writ petition be treated as a representation and respondent no.3- Deputy Inspector General of Police, Security, Punjab, shall look into the matter and take a final decision thereon after proper evaluation of threat perception to the petitioners and take necessary action, if any/as may be required, in accordance with law, for protection of life and liberty of the petitioners.

Writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

07.10.2021
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[LISA GILL]
Judge

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