

CRWP No. 9754 of 2021

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

(132)

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Date of Decision : 11.10.2021

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....Petitioner

Versus

The State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

(through video conferencing)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Mr. Chander Shekhar Singhal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed seeking the writ in the nature of habeas corpus for the release of the detenues, the details of whom have been given in para 4 of the writ petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the detenues, whose release is being sought, are working in a brick kiln being operated by respondents No. 4 and 5 and are being treated as bonded labour, which is not permissible. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has already filed a representation on 09.10.2021 (Annexure P-1) before the District Magistrate, Panipat, which is still pending consideration. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a direction is issued to respondent No. 2 to

manner by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Gaurav Bansal, learned Assistant Advocate General, Haryana, who has joined the proceedings through video conference, keeping in view the service of advance copy of petition, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State. Learned State counsel raises no objection in deciding the representation dated 09.10.2021 (Annexure P-1) in a time bound manner by passing an appropriate speaking order.

In view of the request made, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner, respondent No. 2 is directed to decide the representation dated 09.10.2021 (Annexure P-1) by passing a speaking order within a period of four weeks from the receipt of copy of this order.

In case, any action needs to be taken, the same should be taken at the earliest. It will be appreciated that the speaking order is passed by the District Magistrate, Panipat after holding an enquiry into the allegations mentioned in the said representation.

Present petition stands disposed of.

October 11, 2021
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking? *Yes/No*
Whether reportable? *Yes/No*