

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-915-2022

Date of Decision:08.02.2022

Avtar Singh Maratta and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

....Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Ms. Satpreet Grewal Kapila, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

Present criminal writ petition has been filed under Article 227 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of directions to respondents No. 1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No. 4 and 5.

Petitioner No.1 is running a gun house in the name and style of “Maratta Gun House” at Amritsar. He has a valid license to sell firearms. Petitioners No. 2 to 4 are the family members of petitioner No.1 and petitioner No.5 is his employee.

It is stated that the petitioner had sold .32 bore pistol to one Sarabjit Singh s/o Gurnam Singh resident of VPO Patti, Tehsil Patti, District Tarn Taran. He had sold .32 bore revolver to one Pritpal Singh s/o S. Randhawa resident of VPO Hanrowala, Tehsil and District Tarn Taran.

It is stated that police party comprising of 10 to 12 people which included respondents No. 4 and 5 raided the house of the petitioner ostensibly on account of the fact that Sarabjit Singh and Pritpal Singh to whom the petitioner had sold the weapons were involved in some illegal activity. Thereafter petitioner NO.1 had been repeatedly harassed by respondents No. 4 and 5.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that there is no case registered against the petitioner and prays that the petitioners be

not harassed and intimidated by respondents No. 4 and 5.

Without in any way opining on the contentions of the petitioners the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondents No. 4 and 5 that in case the presence of the petitioners is required in connection with any complaint/inquiry/investigation, the procedure as per Cr.P.C. be strictly followed.

[HARINDER SINGH SIDHU]
JUDGE

February 08, 2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned	yes/no
Whether reportable?	yes/no