

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

Sr. No.230

**CRM-M-9850 of 2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 13.05.2022**

Balbir Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. Sidakmeet Singh Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for issuance of appropriate direction to the official respondents to take action against respondent No.6 for forging the thumb impression of proposers, upon his nomination form for the candidature of Sarpanch of Village Aloudipur, District Kapurthala in the Gram Panchayat Elections concluded for the year 2018.

A further prayer has been made to issue directions to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner on account of threats being faced by him for filing complaint against respondent No.6.

Reply dated 23.09.2019 has been filed by the respondent-State and as per the said reply, specific thumb impressions of both the proposers have been obtained in the presence of Executive Magistrate, Kapurthala. Nomination forms have also been collected having disputed thumb impressions and have been sent to Finger Print Bureau, Phillaur for

comparison. Report is still awaited and appropriate action would be taken as

and when the same is received. As regards providing security to the life and liberty of the petitioner is concerned, as per the reply, the petitioner faced no threat perception and therefore, there is no necessity to provide security to the petitioner. The house of the petitioner is located in thickly populated area of the village and round the clock PCR patrolling in the area, nakabandi and regular patrolling by the local police are held. Therefore, there is no danger to the life and liberty of the petitioner. Further, the petitioner has not approached the police regarding alleged threats at the hands of respondent No.6 at any point of time. The petitioner has also given an affidavit (Annexure R-1/T), as per which, he claims that he is not facing danger to his life and property from any one.

In view of the above, no further orders are required to be passed by this Court.

Petition stands disposed of.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

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