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

CRWP-3662-2022

Date of decision : 22.04.2022

Daljeet Singh and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Mr. G.S. Verma, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Sarabjit S. Cheema, AAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

This is a Criminal Writ Petition filed for the issuance of directions to respondent Nos.1 to 3 for providing security of life and liberty of the petitioners as well as their family members from the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 6 as well as other police officials of District Fazilka (Punjab).

Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that the petitioners have given a representation dated 12.04.2022 (Annexure P-3) to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka (Punjab), in which, they have levelled allegations against the police officials, on the basis of which, as per the case of the petitioners, there is reasonable apprehension in their mind with regard to their life and liberty.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has further submitted that the petitioners would be satisfied in case, the present Criminal Writ Petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, to look into the representation dated 12.04.2022 (Annexure P-3) only with respect to protection of life and liberty of the petitioners and their family members and to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1 to 3 only.

On advance notice, Mr. Sarabjit S. Cheema, AAG, Punjab appears and accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3 and on a specific query put by this Court, he has stated that he has no objection in case, respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, looks into the representation dated 12.04.2022 (Annexure P-3) with a limited prayer for only protection of life and liberty of the petitioners and their family members and takes appropriate action in accordance with law.

After considering the facts and circumstances of the present case, this Court deems it appropriate to direct respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, to look into the representation dated 12.04.2022 (Annexure P-3) with a limited prayer for only protection of life and liberty of the petitioners and their family members and after making necessary enquiries and assessing the threat perception to them, respondent No.2 shall take appropriate action in accordance with law.

It is, however, clarified that this Court has not gone into the merits of the allegations made by the petitioners and it would be open to respondent No.2 to make his independent enquiry/assessment with regard to the representation with a limited prayer aforesaid.

In view of what has been observed above, the present Criminal Writ petition is disposed of in the abovesaid terms.

It is, however, clarified that this order shall not debar the State from proceeding against the petitioners, if involved in any case.

22.04.2022

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(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No

Whether reportable:- Yes/No