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

CRM-M-16319-2022

Date of decision : 22.04.2022

Manoj Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Mr. Virat Rana, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Praveen Bhadu, AAG, Haryana.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C. for seeking appropriate direction to respondents to produce the petitioner before the concerned Court of law in Special Police Escort vehicle with closed gates, as the petitioner is apprehending danger to his life and liberty at the hands of Tillu Tajpuria Gang, Kaushal Gang, Neeraj Bawana Gang Bhuppi Rana Gang and Davinder Gang, who are trying to kill the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is involved in several cases and is now presently confined in Central Jail, Ambala but for various Court hearings, he has to go to multiple Courts and the petitioner has every apprehension that in case, the petitioner is taken to the said Courts, some untoward incident would be caused by the

personnel of the abovesaid gangs.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has given representation dated 16.04.2022 (Annexure P-2) to respondent No.5-Superintendent, Central Jail, Ambala, in which, two fold prayers have been made, firstly with respect to provision of Special Police protection and closed gate police van while going to Court for appearances or to provide virtual appearance in the various cases which are pending against the petitioner. The details of cases registered against the petitioner has been given in the said representation.

A Coordinate Bench of this Court in similar circumstances had disposed of petition bearing CRM-M-42909-2020 vide order dated 22.12.2020 with the following directions:-

“The petition is disposed of with a direction to the Superintendent, Central Jail, Amritsar (respondent No. 5) to look into the representation (Annexure P3) and take action, if necessary, in accordance with law to protect the life of the petitioner when he is taken for Court proceedings.

Sd/-(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)

22.12.2020

JUDGE”

Notice of motion.

On advance notice, Mr. Praveen Bhadu, AAG, Haryana, appears and accepts notice on behalf of the State and has submitted that he is fully prepared to argue the matter and assist this Court. He has further submitted that he has no objection in case respondent No.5 is directed to look into the matter and after considering the entire matter, to take appropriate action in accordance with law on its merits.

Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances, the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.5 to look into representation dated 16.04.2022 (Annexure P-2) and to take necessary action in accordance with law to protect the life of the petitioner for the purpose of appearing in various Courts, wherein proceedings against the petitioner are pending.

Respondent No.5 is also requested to consider, if an appropriate application can be moved for making the petitioner appear through virtual mode, before the concerned Courts.

Respondent No.5 is directed to take a decision on the abovesaid representation and the aforesaid aspect, as expeditiously as possible.

This Court has not given any opinion on the merits of the case and respondent No.5 would be at liberty to take action in accordance with law after considering the merits of the case.

22.04.2022*Pawan***(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE****Whether speaking/reasoned:-****Yes/No****Whether reportable:-****Yes/No**