

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

**CRM-M-14112-2013
Date of Decision:13.07.2023**

Baba Darshan Singh and Anr.

...Petitioners

vs.

State of Punjab and Ors.

...Respondents

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice N.S.Shekhawat

Present : Mr. Inderpreet Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Mohit Chaudhary, AAG, Punjab.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

At the very outset, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that at this stage, he shall confine his prayer only to grant of relief of protecting the lives and liberty of the petitioners and shall avail their alternative remedies for other reliefs sought in the present petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that a Gurudwara namely, Shaheed Baba Jiwan Singh Ji is situated at Chhabal Road, Amritsar and the petitioner No.1 is head priest of said Gurudwara. He further contends that Major Singh, respondent No.6 is now illegally claiming himself to be the legal heir of late Baba Balkar Singh and has been using the name of forefathers of the petitioners for illegally taking over the management of the Gurudwara. He further contends that respondent No.6 is regularly threatening both the petitioners. Learned counsel further contends that the petitioners had moved a complaint dated 07.01.2023 against the accused, but no action was

taken in the matter.

Pursuant to the notice, learned State counsel submits that the appropriate action has already been taken in the present matter and the proceedings under Section 107/150 Cr. PC have been initiated against both the parties. He however, contends that it is the bounden duty of the State to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners. He further contends that in case, the petitioners apprehend any threat to their lives and liberty, they are free to make a representation to the SHO Police Station D-Division, Amritsar, Punjab or higher police officers and appropriate action shall be taken on the same, in accordance with law.

In view of the statement made by learned State counsel, no further directions are required to be passed by this Court and the present petition is disposed of accordingly.

Needless to say that the petitioners shall be at liberty to avail their alternative remedies with regard to the other reliefs claimed in the petition, in accordance with law.

13.07.2023
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JUDGE

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