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114 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 29.03.2023

Parminder Singh ...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA

Present: Mr. Bhupinder Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. H.S. Sitta, DAG, Punjab.

ANOOP CHITKARA, J.

Fearing for life and liberty at the hands of the private respondents, the petitioner, who is a witness in murder case, invoking the fundamental right of life guaranteed under Article 21 of the Constitution of India, has come up before this Court seeking protection through the State.

2. Notices served upon the official respondents through the State's counsel. Given the nature of the order that this Court proposes to pass, neither the response of official respondents nor the issuance of notices to the private respondents is required

3. State counsel submits that petitioner was earlier granted protection by this Court vide orders (Annexures P-4 to P-6) to appear before the trial Court for evidence but he did not appear for evidence and take advantage of the protection orders of this Court.

4. The nature of the order this Court proposes to pass, which would over-write all the previous orders, is that on the date when the petitioner has to go to the trial Court to depose, the concerned SHO shall provide him protection and depute one or two police officials to enable him to reach trial Court and come back safely.

5. **This order shall eclipse after thirty days from today.**

6. *There would be no need for a certified copy of this order, and any Advocate for the Petitioner and State can download this order and other relevant particulars from the official web page of this court and attest it to be a true copy. The concerned officer can also verify its authenticity and may download and use the downloaded copy for immediate use.*

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Petition is allowed to the extent mentioned above. It is clarified that no protection except to attend trial Court, shall be provided to the petitioner under the garb of this order.

(ANOOP CHITKARA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes
Whether reportable:	No.