

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.15858 of 2023

Date of decision: 18th April, 2023

Surinder Pal Singh Aujla

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Navkiran Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. Deputy Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondents/State.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking issuance of directions to the official respondents to allow his brother i.e. the alleged detainee, to meet a lawyer of his choice as well as his family members to facilitate filing of an effective representation before the State Government under the provisions of National Security Act.

Learned State counsel has filed short reply by way of affidavit of Satinder Singh, PPS, Senior Superintendent of Police, District Amritsar (Rural) on behalf of respondent No.1 which is taken on record subject to all just exceptions. While drawing the attention of this Court to para No.3 of the said reply, learned State counsel submits that the detainee had been allowed to meet his lawyer at Dibrugarh Jail, Assam on 10.04.2023.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, however submits that the lawyer, who went to meet the detenue, was from another organization and had not gone there at the behest of his family.

Learned State counsel submits that in case an appropriate application is made to the District Magistrate, Amritsar by the lawyer of the detenue or his relative, the same would be considered and decided in accordance with law.

In the light of submissions made by learned State counsel, nothing survives in the instant petition and the same stands disposed of accordingly.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

April 18, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No