

107 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-4773-2023

Date of Decision: 18.05.2023

Gurdev Singh and others

...Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

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

Present : Mr. Jagdish Singh Mahal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

1. The petitioners have filed the instant petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of appropriate directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the lives and liberty of the petitioners as they apprehend imminent threats at the hands of respondent No.4 and other private respondents.

2. It was, *inter alia*, also prayed that the respondents may be directed to conduct a fair and impartial inquiry into the allegations levelled by the present petitioners.

3. At the very outset, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners shall confine their prayer only for issuance of appropriate directions to protect their lives and liberty and for other reliefs, they shall avail their other alternative remedies, in accordance with law.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that at about 1.30 p.m. on 21.04.2023, petitioner No.1 was working in his fields and was attacked by the private respondents No.5 to 9 and injuries were inflicted on his person. The

petitioner No.1 made a call on police helpline number 112 and reported his complaint. Respondent No.4 came at the spot and took away the petitioner No.1 on his motorcycle to the Police Station and without providing him any first aid, petitioner No.1 was confined in the police station illegally. Learned counsel further contends that respondent No.4 also extended threats to petitioner No.1 and had colluded with the private respondents and no action was taken against the persons, who had threatened the petitioner No.1 and caused injuries to him. He further contends that petitioner No.1 had approached to respondent No.2 by way of representation dated 08.05.2023 (Annexure P-2), however, no action was taken on the same.

6. Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3, only at this stage.

7. On the asking of the Court, Mr. M.S.Tiwana, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

8. I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

9. Without expressing anything on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed with a direction to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur to look into the matter and take appropriate action as expeditiously as possible, in accordance with law.

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

(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

18.05.2023

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