

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

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CRWP-7726-2022

Date of Decision: February 10, 2023

Harjinder Singh

.....Petitioner(s)

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA

Present: Mr. Ashish Aggarwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Jatishwar S. Bhandari, AAG, Punjab

Ms. Shivani Saini, Advocate for respondents No.4 and 5.

ANOOP CHITKARA J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed for issuance of writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner and his family members from the hands of the private respondents as well as to decide the representation.

2. The petition was filed wayback on 08.08.2022. There is no allegation that the respondent is threatening the petitioner and no such complaint has been received in the concerned police station as such at this stage, there is no need for protection order.

3. As far as representation dated 25.07.2022 (Annexure P-2) is concerned, let the representation be decided by the concerned Commissioner of Police, within two months, either herself or by authorizing and delegating it to any officer holding IPS cadre. It is clarified that such order must be a reasoned order, and the same be communicated to the representationists without delay.

4. Liberty reserved to the petitioner to file fresh petition or to take other legal remedies in accordance with the law.

5. It is clarified that there is no adjudication on merits. It is further clarified that this order shall not come in the way if the interrogation of the petitioner is required in any cognizable case.

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.*

Petition is allowed to the extent mentioned above. All pending applications, if any, stand disposed.

(ANOOP CHITKARA)
JUDGE

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