

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-8857-2023

Date of decision: 11.09.2023

Bhalinder Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Nirmaljeet Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus for directing respondents No.2 and 3, to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner and his daughter, at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5, who are his brother and nephew respectively, and have been extending threats of dire consequences in particular to his daughter.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that it was a matter of record that an FIR was lodged against respondents No.4 and 5 by the petitioner in which both of them had been convicted by the Trial Court, and even appeal preferred against the judgment of the Trial Court had since been dismissed. However, since the petitioner was not buckling under the pressure tactics of the private respondents to effect a compromise with them, he was being continuously extended threats of dire consequences. Learned counsel submits that the petitioner had also moved representations dated 22.03.2023, 11.05.2023 and 18.07.2023

(Annexures P-1 to P-3 respectively) to the official respondents but in vain.

3. After arguing for some time, learned counsel submits that he would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda to look into his representations (Annexures P-1 to P-3) and take appropriate steps at the earliest.

4. Notice of motion to official respondents only.

5. On asking of the Court, Mr. I.P.S. Sabharwal, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents.

6. The present petition is disposed of with directions to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda to look into representations dated 22.03.2023, 11.05.2023 and 18.07.2023 (Annexures P-1 to P-3 respectively) *qua* the alleged threat perception and take necessary steps at the earliest, if any required, in accordance with law, so as to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioner is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents.

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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