

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP 9795 of 2022 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 27.04.2023

Santokh Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.S.SHEKHAWAT

Present : Mr. Amit Dhawan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Bajwa, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Deepak Chauhan, Advocate
for respondents No. 4 to 6.

N.S.SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant petition before this Court under Article 226 of the Constitution of India with a prayer to issue directions to respondents No. 1 and 2 to protect the lives and liberty of the petitioner and his family members as they apprehend threats at the hands of respondents No. 3 to 6.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that respondents No. 4 to 6 had come to the house of the petitioner and damaged the goods lying in the house and had also threatened the petitioner and his family members. Even, the petitioner had filed a civil suit seeking the decree of permanent injunction before the learned Civil Judge (Senior Division) Jalandhar against the above said

persons and prayed for restraining them from entering into the house of the petitioner. Learned counsel further submits that on 28.09.2022, some police officials entered the house of the petitioner at the instance of respondents No. 4 to 6 and the said illegal action of the police officials was captured in the CCTV cameras installed in the house of the petitioner. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that he has submitted a representation dated 29.09.2022 to respondent No. 2 as well as to the Director General of Police, Punjab (Annexure P-4) but no action was taken on the same. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner and his family members are now being threatened by respondent No. 3 that they would be falsely involved in some criminal case.

3. Reply has been filed by way of affidavit of the Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar, Rural, on behalf of respondents No. 1 and 2. The learned State counsel submits that the proper inquiry has been held in the matter and the allegations levelled by the petitioner have been found to be false. However, to ensure the protection of life and liberty of the petitioner, the Senior Superintendent of Police has directed the concerned Deputy Superintendent of Police/SHO to provide the phone numbers of the police officers to the petitioner. Learned State counsel further submits that in case any complaint is received by the local police, with regard to the threat to the life and liberty of the petitioner, appropriate action

shall be taken immediately by the concerned police station in accordance with law. Learned State counsel further submits that in case the petitioner's family members are required with regard to any complaint received from anyone, they shall be summoned in accordance with the provisions of law and they shall not be harassed unnecessarily.

4. In view of the above assurance given by the learned State counsel, no further directions are required and the petition is, accordingly, disposed off.

27.04.2023

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JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No