

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

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CRWP 11251 of 2022 (O&M)**Date of Decision: 24.03.2023**

Gurdeep Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

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

Present : Mr. Rajat Dogra, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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

N.S.SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)

The petitioners have filed the instant petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking directions to the official respondents to protect their lives and liberty and also of their family members as the police officials of Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala, are harassing and humiliating them.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that one FIR No. 282 dated 16.10.2022 under Section 302 IPC was registered at Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala, against the unknown persons on the basis of statement made by Sukhwinder Singh. In the said FIR, the complainant alleged that certain unknown persons had entered the house of his brother Jarnail Singh and committed his murder, while he was sleeping in the courtyard during the night. Later on, the supplementary statement of the complainant

was recorded and Amandeep Singh @ Aman had been nominated as an accused in the said case. On the basis of the disclosure statement made by Amandeep Singh, Charanjit Singh son of petitioner No. 1 was involved in the present case. Learned counsel further contends that the petitioners No. 1 and 2 are the parents, petitioner No. 3 is the wife and petitioners No. 4 and 7 are sisters of Charanjit Singh and other petitioners are the in-laws of Charanjit Singh. Now after the registration of the FIR, the police is raiding the house of the petitioners and unnecessarily harassing them.

On notice, learned State counsel has filed a status report by way of affidavit of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division Zira, District Ferozepur, wherein, it has been mentioned that one FIR No. 282 dated 16.10.2022 under Section 302 IPC had been registered in Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi against son of petitioner No. 1. However, the petitioners are not required in the said case. Still further, even the son of petitioner No. 1 is required in FIR 282/2022, but he was never called by the police of Police Station Mallanwala, District Ferozepur. Learned State counsel further contends that the petitioners are living in the area of District Ferozepur and in case, they apprehend any threat to their lives and liberty, they are free to approach District Police Ferozepur and appropriate action shall be taken in accordance with law.

Another status report had been filed by way of affidavit of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division Sultanpur Kapurthala, whereby, it had been stated that the son of the petitioner No. 1, namely, Charanjit Singh was nominated as an accused in the FIR No. 282 dated 16.10.2022 under Section 302 IPC registered at Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi and he is evading arrest in the said case. Consequently, the police had gone to the house of the petitioners to search the said accused and due process of law was followed. Still further, petitioner Gurdeep Singh was asked telephonically to appear and join the investigation, however, Gurdeep Singh had failed to appear and to get his statement recorded during the course of inquiry. Learned counsel further contends that the investigation of the said case is being conducted fairly and the petitioners, if required, shall also be called upon to join the investigation as per the provisions of law.

In view of the above statement made by the learned counsel for the State of Punjab, no further directions are required and the petition is, accordingly, disposed off.

24.03.2023

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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)**JUDGE**

Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No