

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

CRWP No.11466 of 2023

Date of Decision:29.11.2023

Prabhjot Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Jaskamal Singh Grewal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the official respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 8.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner herein would contend that the petitioner has taken two shops No.5 and 6 on rent from the Managing Committee of Baba Zorawar Singh Fateh Singh Khalsa High School and is regularly paying rent to the said committee. However, the private respondents No.4 to 8, who are neither the members of the Managing Committee nor in any way related to the school are harassing the petitioner to get the said shops forcibly vacated. It is further contended that respondent No.8 is a hard core criminal, who is threatening the petitioner of dire consequences. In this regard, he has submitted representation dated 08.11.2023 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2, which has been marked to respondent No.3 but no action has been taken thereon till today.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Ms. Navreet Singh Barnala, AAG, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice for the official respondents and submits that the jurisdictional police authorities are duty bound to protect the life and liberty of the citizen. She further submits that jurisdictional police authorities will look into the matter and take appropriate steps.

5. Without commenting on merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the jurisdictional police authorities/official respondents to look into the representation dated 08.11.2023 (Annexure P-5) submitted by the petitioner and if there is any specific incident/details provided by the petitioner which warrants action on the part of police authorities, take appropriate steps thereon in accordance with law within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

November 29, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No