

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP No.2929 of 2024
Date of decision: 4th April, 2024

Shekhar Jha

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. G.S. Verma, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ in the nature of mandamus seeking directions to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner as well as his family members at the hands of private respondents, and for compliance of order dated 06.01.2023 (Annexure P-6) passed by this Court.

2. Learned counsel inter alia contends that despite specific directions issued by this Court vide order (Annexure P-6), the private respondents had been circulating obscene videos/messages of the petitioner's daughter; besides extending threats of dire consequences, as a result of which repeated representations were given to the official

respondents on 08.05.2023 and 20.10.2023 (Annexures P-7 and P-8), however, they had proved to be in vain.

3. Learned counsel submits that he would be satisfied in case appropriate directions are issued to decide his representation (Annexure P-7) within a stipulated time frame.

4. Notice of motion to the official respondents.

5. At the asking of Court, Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. Dy. Advocate General, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the said respondents.

6. In view of the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioners, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – Commissioner of Police, District Ludhiana to look into the representation (Annexure P-7) dated 08.05.2023 and take necessary steps, if any required, in accordance with law expeditiously, preferably within next two weeks, to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

April 4, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No