

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

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**CRM-M No. 19709 of 2019
Date of Decision: 08.02.2024**

Kulbir Singh Sarpanch

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Suresh Kumar Aneja, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab assisted by
ASI Gurmej Singh.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J.(ORAL)

1. This petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for directing respondents No. 2 to 4 to ensure the protection of life and liberty of the petitioner and his family members at the hands of respondents No. 5 to 11.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* submits that the petitioner is the elected Sarpanch of village Suresh Wala, Tehsil and District Fazilka. On 21.03.2019, the Ex-Sarpanch handed over the charge and goods of the Gram Panchayat to the petitioner. The Police officials i.e. respondents No. 5 to 9 who were posted at Police Station Sadar Fazilka came to the house of the petitioner and called the petitioner on the pretext that someone has moved an application to the SHO and took the water tanker to the police station and the said water tanker was handed over to one Bhoop Singh. The petitioner moved two complaints to higher police officials (Annexures P-2 and P-3) and due to this, the petitioner was living under constraint fear that

the police officials and private respondents i.e respondents No. 5 to 11 would inflict some harm to him.

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions, ASI Gurmej Singh submits that the water tanker in question was taken into possession vide DDR No. 25 dated 23.05.2019 in connection with complaint made by Parminder Singh and now the tanker has been released on *superdari* to the Gram Panchayat and the petitioner was never harrassed by the police officials.

4. In view of the above, no further directions are required to be passed.

5. Disposed of.

08.02.2024

Rajeev (rvs)

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No