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IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-5066-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 21.08.2024

Munish Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present:- Ms. Poonam Verma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

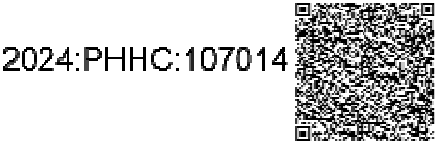
MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 of Cr.P.C. seeking issuance of directions to respondent Nos. 1 and 2 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner at the hands of respondent No. 3.
2. Reply, by way of an affidavit of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Malerkotla, has been filed in Court. A perusal of the reply reveals that the petitioner had given a complaint to Senior Superintendent of Police, Malerkotla against the private respondents for registering a case against them under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 of IPC. After conducting a proper inquiry on the complaint of the petitioner, an FIR bearing No. 112 dated 05.08.2023 has been registered under Sections 420 and 120-B of IPC at PS-City-I, Malerkotla against Manpreet Kaur, Harmandeep Singh, Satnam Singh, Sanjay Singla and Mohit Garg. During investigation,

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accused Manpreet Kaur and Satnam Singh have been found innocent and subsequently, accused Sanjay Singla and Mohit Garg were granted concession of bail by the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge, Sangrur, vide order dated 22.08.2023, whereas accused Harmandeep Singh was granted bail by this Court, vide order dated 13.12.2023 passed in CRM-M-626122023. It is further submitted that accused Sanjay Singla had filed a petition before this Court for quashing of the aforesaid FIR on the basis of the compromise entered into between the parties, wherein the statements of the accused persons as well as of the petitioner/complainant had been recorded before the Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Malerkotla and the case is now pending for 27.08.2024 awaiting the further orders from this Court. In the meantime, accused Sanjay Singla had moved an application alleging that the petitioner had got registered one more FIR bearing No. 122 against Sanjay Singla and other persons and he had compromised the matter by taking an amount of Rs. 1,15,000/- from him but subsequently had refused to make statement before the Court for quashing of the FIR. The said application was marked for inquiry and in the backdrop of these events; the Inquiry Officer had served notices to both the parties for joining them into inquiry. However, the parties had not joined the inquiry. It is also submitted that the allegations made against respondent No. 3 are false and baseless and he has never harassed or pressurized the petitioner, rather he was discharging his official duties. There is not threat at all to the life and liberty of the petitioner.



3. Faced with the same, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that this petition may be disposed of.
4. Ordered accordingly.

21.08.2024

Waseem Ansari

Whether speaking/reasoned

Whether reportable

(MANISHA BATRA)

JUDGE

Yes/No

Yes/No