



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

CRWP No.6518 of 2024

Date of decision: 11th July, 2024

Harnam Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. A.P. Singh Rathore, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 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 at the hands of private respondents.

2. Learned counsel inter alia contends that the petitioner is an 81 year old man, who is facing continuous threats of dire consequences from the private respondents on account of some piece of land owned by him. It has been submitted that two of the petitioner's estranged sons, for reasons but obvious, are extending tacit support to the private respondents. Learned counsel has drawn the attention of this Court to the complaint dated 28.06.2024 (Annexure P-2) which was sent to respondent No.3-SHO Police Station Mehatpur, however, it has been submitted that since no action was taken by the police to come to his rescue, the petitioner was constrained to move representation dated



09.07.2024 (Annexure P-3) to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, District Jalandhar Rural.

3. After arguing for some time, learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that he would restrict his prayer and will be satisfied if appropriate directions are issued to the official respondents to decide his representation dated 09.07.2024 (Annexure P-3) expeditiously.

4. Notice of motion to the official respondents.

5. At the asking of Court, Mr. Navdeep Singh, Dy. Advocate General, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the said respondents.

6. In view of the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, District Jalandhar Rural to look into the representation dated 09.07.2024 (Annexure P-3) and take necessary steps, if any required, in accordance with law at the earliest, to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioner is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No