



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

CRWP No.7926 of 2024

Date of decision: 20th August, 2024

Tarsem Singh & another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Kuljit S. Bal, Advocate for the petitioners.

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 petitioners at the hands of private respondent.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that respondent No.4 is a close relative of the petitioners; the petitioners had extended some loan to respondent No.4 however, the cheque, which had been issued to the petitioners in discharge of his legal liability, had been dishonoured as a result of which the petitioners had filed a complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881. Learned counsel submits that ever since then the official respondents, on account of their close proximity with respondent No.4, had been threatening the petitioners to compromise the matter and also extending threats of dire consequences in case the petitioners failed to resolve the issue with the respondent No.4.



3. Learned counsel for the petitioners has also drawn the attention of this Court to Annexure P-2 which is a representation given on 07.08.2024 to the Commissioner of Police, Amritsar. He submits that despite the said representation, the official respondents have failed to come to their rescue as a result of which they are facing grave threat to their life and liberty.

4. After arguing for some time, learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that they would restrict their prayer and will be satisfied if appropriate directions are issued to decide the representation (Annexure P-2) expeditiously.

5. Notice of motion to the official respondents.

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

7. In view of the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – The Commissioner of Police, Amritsar to look into the representation dated 07.08.2024 (Annexure P-2) and take necessary steps, if any required, in accordance with law at the earliest, to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondent.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

August 20, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No