



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

CRWP No.7935 of 2024

Date of decision: 20th August, 2024

Avtar Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. G.P.S. Ghuman & Mr. K.D.S. Bajwa,
Advocates 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 at the hands of private respondents.

2. Learned counsel, at the outset, has drawn the attention of this Court to Annexure P-3, which is a call recording of some telephonic conversation between the petitioner and respondent No.7, who is the mother-in-law of the petitioner, wherein threats of dire consequences were extended to the petitioner and his family. Learned counsel submits that admittedly there is a matrimonial dispute going on between the parties and it is in the aforementioned background that the private respondents have been threatening the petitioner with dire consequences. Learned counsel has also drawn the attention of this Court to Annexure P-4, which is a representation given by the



petitioner to Senior Superintendent of Police, Khanna on 07.07.2024. He submits that despite the said representation given to the official respondents, no steps had been taken by them to come to the rescue of the petitioner.

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 decide the abovesaid representation (Annexure P-4) 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.4 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Khanna, District Ludhiana to look into the representation dated 07.07.2024 (Annexure P-4) 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

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