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

CRWP-10190-2024

Date of Decision:- 03.12.2024

GURCHARAN SINGH AND ANR

...Petitioners

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present:- Mr. Kanwaljeet Singh, Advocate for petitioners.

Mr. Kewal Singh, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J.

1. Petitioners - Gurcharan Singh and Sukhwinder Singh have filed criminal writ petition for issuance of writ in the nature of mandamus for direction to the official respondents to protect their life and liberty from the hands of private respondents and to decide their complaint dated 07.10.2024 (Annexure P-4) and another complaint dated 20.06.2024 (Annexure P-3) or to pass any other appropriate order/direction which the Court may deem fit in the given facts and circumstances of the case.

2. Learned counsel for petitioners argued that regarding the matter in controversy detailed in the aforesaid applications, no proper investigation was carried out. On the contrary, respondents are extending

threats to petitioners. Respondents are influential persons having political support. Investigation is not being carried out in fair and impartial manner. Hence the present petition.

3. Status report has been filed which is taken on record. Learned counsel representing State pointed out that regarding complaint dated 20.06.2024 (Annexure P-3) proper investigation was carried out and the detailed report of DSP, Sub-Division Jandiala, Amritsar (Rural) is Annexure R1/T. However, representation dated 07.10.2024 (Annexure P-4) was not received in the Police Station. It is further clarified that police is duty bound to protect life and liberty of petitioners by providing every possible help whenever it is required. They will consider the threat perception and accordingly as per rules adequate security will be provided.

4. I have considered the contents of status report. So far as representation dated 20.06.2024 (Annexure P-3) is concerned, same is disposed of as per report dated 29.11.2024 (Annexure R1/T). Learned counsel for petitioners confirmed that contents of both applications/complaints were same. Therefore, no separate report is required regarding complaint dated 07.10.2024. So far as threat to the petitioners from the hands of private respondent Nos.4 to 11 is concerned, official respondents have already ensured that life and liberty of the petitioners will be protected considering threat perception and appropriate measures will be taken.

5. In light of this, no further direction is required. Official Respondents are directed to protect life and liberty of petitioners from the hands of private respondent Nos.4 to 11 considering threat perception.

Petitioners can also avail legal remedy available to them as per law regarding the contents of applications/complaints dated 20.06.2024 and 07.10.2024.

6. Petition is, accordingly, disposed of.

7. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, stand disposed of accordingly as well.

(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

03.12.2024

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No.

Whether reportable: Yes/No