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

CRM-M-2951-2025

Date of decision: 20.01.2025

Hardeep Singh alias Gora Ajnali

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR**Present:** Mr. G.P.S. Ghuman, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed under Section 528 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for issuance of directions to respondent No.2 to decide the representation dated 21.06.2024 within the stipulated time period.

Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that in the year 2017, Ram Kumar met the petitioner through one of the friends of the petitioner and he used to call and meet him. In the year 2018, Ram Kumar arranged the meeting of the petitioner with one of his friend, namely, Pritam Singh and told him that the petitioner is well educated and looking for a suitable job, as a result of which, Pritam Singh stated that he is having one friend i.e. respondent No.5, who is posted in Punjab Police and having links. Thereafter, Pritam Singh called the petitioner and asked him to visit his home to meet respondent No.5. Petitioner went to the house of Pritam Singh where respondent No.5 asked the petitioner about his educational qualifications and also asked him that what type of job he wants, then the petitioner told him that he wanted to do some private job upon which respondent No.5 said that what if

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he get him a permanent Government Job and that too in Punjab Police, as a result of which, the petitioner along with his parents agreed. Thereafter, respondent No.5 called the petitioner and asked him to come to Mohali for discussion about the job then petitioner along with his father went to Mohali and met respondent No.5 where Pritam Singh was present and respondent No.5 assured the petitioner that he will get a job of Sub Inspector in Punjab Police and demanded Rs.15 lakh from the petitioner and his father. On 10.03.2019, respondent No.5 said that he needs the entire payment in cash, whereas, father of the petitioner expressed his inability to pay such huge amount in one go and told him that he will give money in three installments. The petitioner paid a sum of Rs.2 lakh in cash to respondent No.5. Thereafter, they started putting pressure on the petitioner to pay balance money in cash, on account of which, father of the petitioner borrowed Rs.8 lakh from the maternal aunt of the petitioner and handed over the same to respondent No.5. After some days, on asking of the father of the petitioner that when he will get a job, respondent No.5 told him that joining letter shall reach their home soon and paid Rs.5 lakh to respondent No.5. After a long delay, ultimately on 06.02.2020, the petitioner received joining cum training letter by post and respondent No.5 asked for Rs.5 lakh and told them thereafter, only the petitioner will be able to join his duty. Thereafter, the petitioner contacted respondent No.5 and asked him to accompany him to Phillaur and get his joining done but respondent No.5 made lame excuses upon which the petitioner got suspicious. Thereafter, when he went to academy at Phillaur and shown his joining letter to the officials, he came to know that there is no such recruitment going on in Punjab Police and all the documents are fake and thus, he made a

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representation dated 21.06.2024 (Annexure P-2) to respondent No.2 but no action has been taken so far.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner would be satisfied in case a direction is issued to respondent No.3 to consider and decide the representation dated 21.06.2024 (Annexure P-2) submitted by the petitioner in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab, puts in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents-State and copy of the petition has been supplied in the Court.

Keeping in view the prayer made by the petitioner and without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3 to consider and decide the representation dated 21.06.2024 (Annexure P-2) submitted by the petitioner and take appropriate steps including grant of any protection to the petitioner in view of the apprehension, if any, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

20.01.2025*Neha*

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