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

**CRWP-2735-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision: 28.03.2025**

Ranjodh Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

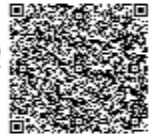
Present: Mr. Amarpreet Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

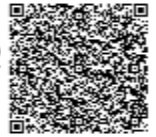
1. Present petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No.1 & 2 to protect the life and liberty of petitioner and his family members from the hands of respondents No.4 to 7 or anybody else and further to direct the official respondents to decide the representation dated 11.02.2025 (Annexure P-1).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, *inter alia*, contends that father of the petitioner, namely Tarsem Singh, is Sarpanch of Village Naushera



Pannua, Tehsil and District Tarn Taran and the petitioner himself is also actively involved in local politics. On an earlier occasion, the petitioner was granted police protection, which was withdrawn later on without prior intimation to him. Thereafter, the petitioner approached the concerned jurisdictional police authorities regarding providing of police protection by submitting a detailed representation, however, the same has not been considered till date. It is further contended that the petitioner and his family members are apprehending danger to their lives and liberty at the hands of respondents No.4 to 7, who are very dangerous persons and they have formed a gang to take forcible ransom. Due to threats advanced by respondents No.4 to 7, even their children are not able to go for studies.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that respondent No.7 Gurpreet Singh Goppi Numberdar and his associates have been arrested by CIA Staff, Tarn Taran and three illegal weapons, live cartridges and 01 kg of heroin have been recovered and a case under Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967, Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and Arms Act has been registered against them. After their arrest, respondents No.4 to 6 are threatening the petitioner and his family members and are trying to kill them. Further, during the interrogation of some persons arrested by Punjab Police, an audio clip with regard to conversation between respondent No.7 and his associates, concerning life threats to the petitioner and his family, was recovered and it was revealed that they are next



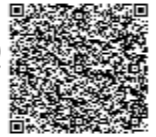
target of Landa group. Apprehending danger to the lives and liberty of the petitioner and his family members, the petitioner submitted a representation dated 11.02.2025 (Annexure P-1) to higher police authorities, but no action has been taken thereon so far.

4. On 20.03.2025, learned State counsel was directed to verify the averments made in paras No.6 to 10 of the present petition.

5. Reply by way of affidavit of Kanwalpreet Singh, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Patti, District Tarn Taran, on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3, produced in the Court today, is taken on record and copy thereof has been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioner.

6. Learned State counsel, on instructions from Kanwalpreet Singh, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Patti, District Tarn Taran, submits that the petitioner has not approached this Court with clean hands. He is habitual offender and is involved in multiple heinous crime cases/FIRs, details of which are as below: -

- (i) FIR No.174 dated 17.09.2018 under Sections 307, 506, 148, 149 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short 'IPC') and Sections 25 & 27 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Patti, District Tarn Taran, in which trial is in progress.
- (ii) FIR No.73 dated 07.05.2023 under Sections 307 & 34 of IPC and Sections 25 & 27 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Sirhali, District Tarn Taran, in which non-bailable warrants have



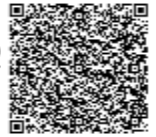
been issued against the petitioner by the jurisdictional Court.

(iii) FIR No.11 dated 02.02.2017 under Sections 379-B, 323, 148, 149, 506, 295, 326 of IPC and Section 25 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Sirhali, District Tarn Taran, in which the petitioner has been acquitted.

(iv) FIR No.39 dated 16.03.2015 under Sections 341 & 34 of IPC and Section 25 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Sirhali, District Tarn Taran, which has been quashed by this Court.

7. Learned State counsel further submits that in a case arising out of FIR No.73 (*supra*), the petitioner himself is evading the process of law. The local police is performing its duty as per law and there is no lapse on the part of the jurisdictional police authorities, as alleged by the petitioner; rather he has suppressed the material facts and is trying to mislead this Court by twisting the facts as per his own suitability. Further, the pleadings in paras No.6 to 10 of the present petition are false and incorrect. No audio clip of the person named as Gopi Numberdar is recovered, in which he is allegedly threatening the petitioner. The District Police never provided any security cover or gunman to the petitioner as claimed by him in para No.10 of the present petition, as such, there is no question of withdrawing the gunman from his security.

8. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record of the case with their able assistance.



9. Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court finds no ground to issue any such direction. Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed with costs of Rs.10,000/- to be deposited with Poor Patient Welfare Fund, PGIMER, Chandigarh.

28.03.2025
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[HARPREET SINGH BRAR]
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No