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

**CRWP-2767-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision : 21.03.2025**

Akash

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: Mr. D.C. Dhaula, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Manjot Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.

Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution for issuance of a writ in the nature of *Habeas Corpus* for releasing the detenues, mentioned in para 4 of the petition, from the illegal custody of respondents No.4 to 6.

2. Reply by way of affidavit dated 20.03.2025 of Sukhpal Singh, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division, Nakodar Jalandhar (Rural) on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3, is taken on record. Copy thereof supplied to the opposite side.

Registry to do the needful.

3. For reference, para 4 of the affidavit, reads as under:-

“That a joint statement of all the said 29 persons was recorded wherein they stated that they were not working as bonded labourers and were working at the HST Brick Kiln out of their own free will and without any coercion. They further stated that now, they are going back to their village. They lastly stated that they do not want to take any action in the present petition. A true copy



of the joint statement of the said persons is placed on record as ANNEXURE R1/T.

Perusal of aforesaid para reveals that statements of 29 persons were recorded by Sub Inspector Baljinder Singh and it is found that none of them is working as bonded labourer.

4. In view of above, no further directions are required to be issued by this Court and present petition stands disposed off.

Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed off.

21.03.2025
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(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE

Whether speaking / reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No