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

**CRWP-3289-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision: 03.04.2025**

Harpal Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Shakti Mehta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Present criminal writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of direction to respondents No.2 & 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner from the hands of respondents No.4 to 12 and further to decide the representation dated 03.03.2025 (Annexure P-5) submitted by the petitioner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, *inter alia*, contends that the petitioner is elected Sarpanch of Gram Panchayat, Gobindpura @ Paind and on 16.03.2024, he entered into an agreement with respondent No.4 to purchase the land measuring 40 kanal 18 marla situated in Village Gulahar, Tehsil Patran,

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District Patiala @ Rs.22,40,000/- per acre. In the presence of marginal witnesses, out of total consideration, the petitioner paid an amount of Rs.18.00 lakhs to respondent No.4 and for execution of the sale deed, date was fixed as 28.11.2024. However, respondent No.4 failed to execute the sale deed in favour of the petitioner. Thereafter, the petitioner filed a civil suit bearing No.CS/933/2024 for specific performance against respondent No.4 before learned Civil Judge (Sr. Divn.), Samana and learned Civil Court, vide order dated 12.12.2024 (Annexure P-1), granted interim stay in favour of the petitioner, restraining respondent No.4 from alienating the suit property in any manner. After coming to know about pendency of aforementioned civil suit, respondent No.4 pressurized the petitioner to withdraw the same, else he would face dire consequences, as respondents No.5 to 12 are her close associates and they are indulged in illegal and unlawful activities. On 26.01.2025, the private respondents along with some unknown persons carrying deadly weapons with them, in order to create fear in the mind of the petitioner, entered into his fields and they manhandled with the petitioner and also threatened him. In this regard, the petitioner made a complaint before respondent No.3 on 28.01.2025 (Annexure P-3), however, no action has been taken thereon till date. Further, in spite of aforesaid complaint (Annexure P-3) against the private respondents, the police officials from the office of respondent No.3 pressurized the petitioner to effect a compromise, otherwise, they would implicate him in a false case.

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3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that on 19.02.2025, the petitioner was tending to his wheat crop on the disputed land, in the meantime, the private respondents, armed with deadly weapons, including sticks and swords, in a pre-planned manner, fiercely attacked him in order to seize his property and they also extended threats to kill him. Immediately thereafter, the petitioner submitted a complaint dated 19.02.2025 before the higher police officials (Annexure P-3), but till date, the same is pending. The copies of photographs showing the presence of private respondents in the fields of the petitioner with deadly weapons are available on record as Annexure P-4. Having left with no option, the petitioner approached respondent No.2 Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala by submitting the representation dated 03.03.2025 (Annexure P-5), however, the same has not been decided so far.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner would be satisfied, in case a direction is issued to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the representation dated 03.03.2025 (Annexure P-5) submitted by him in a time bound manner.

4. Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

5. On asking of the Court, Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3-State. Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to supply copy of complete paperbook to learned State counsel during course of the day.

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6. Keeping in view the prayer made by the petitioner and without commenting anything on the merits of the case, present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the representation dated 03.03.2025 (Annexure P-5) submitted by the petitioner within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law.

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[HARPREET SINGH BRAR]
JUDGE

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