

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

**CRWP No. 7854 of 2023
Date of Decision: 09.08.2023**

Jaswinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA

Present: Mr. Rajat Malhotra, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Karunesh Kaushal, AAG, Punjab.

ANOOP CHITKARA, J.

The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the official respondents No. 1 and 2 to safeguard the life, limb, liberty and property of the petitioner and his family members at the hands of private respondent No. 7.

2. Notices are served upon the official respondents through the State's counsel. Given the nature of the order that this Court proposes to pass, neither the response of official respondents nor the issuance of notices to the private respondents is required.

3. Counsel for the petitioner submits that he does not press the protection at this stage. However, he further submits that the petitioner be permitted to file a fresh representation and the said representation be decided in a time bound manner.

4. Let the petitioner represent the concerned Inspector General of Police, within two weeks from today. If the petitioner files a representation within the above-mentioned time period of two weeks, then, the same shall be decided within one month by the concerned Inspector General of Police himself/herself. It is clarified that such order must be a reasoned order, and the same be communicated to the counsel and representationists without delay.

5. Liberty reserved to the petitioner to file fresh petition or to take other legal remedies in accordance with the law.

6. It is clarified that there is no adjudication on merits. It is further clarified that this order shall not come in the way if the interrogation of the petitioner is required in any cognizable case.

7. *There would be no need for a certified copy of this order, and any Advocate for the Petitioner and State can download this order and other relevant particulars from the official web page of this court and attest it to be a true copy. The concerned officer can also verify its authenticity and may download and use the downloaded copy for immediate use.*

Petition is allowed to the extent mentioned above. All pending applications, if any, stand disposed.

**(ANOOP CHITKARA)
JUDGE**

09.08.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes

Whether reportable: No.