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

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Date of decision : 23.04.2026

JASWANT SINGH

... PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.. RESPONDENTS

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL

Present:- Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate for the petitioner.

H.S. Grewal, J.(Oral)

1. This petition has been filed under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023 (erstwhile Section 482 Cr.P.C.) seeking issuance of directions for transfer of investigation to an independent agency or to an officer not below the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) outside District Khanna, in relation to a complaint arising from the illegal and forcible harvesting of standing maize crop from Panchayat land measuring about 10 acres in Village Hambowal Bet.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, being the highest bidder in the public auction dated 10.06.2025 (Annexure P-1), had lawfully acquired leasehold rights along with possession of the land, including standing crop, after depositing an amount of Rs.10,00,500/-. However, despite such lawful possession, the crop was forcibly harvested on 11.07.2025 by respondent no.7/Panchayat officials and private persons, allegedly under the directions of respondent no.6/BDPO and with the support

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of local police, which is resulting in substantial wrongful loss to the petitioner. He further submits that the petitioner has preferred a representation/complaint dated 25.03.2026 (Annexure P-6) to respondent No.2-Director General of Police, Punjab, but no action has been taken so far. Learned counsel also submits that the petitioner would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.3-Senior Superintendent of Police, Khanna, District Ludhiana to look into the aforesaid representation/complaint dated 25.03.2026 (Annexure P-6) and take appropriate steps in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 5 only at this stage.

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. P.S. Pandher, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 5.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the material available on record.

6. Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case and the limited prayer made by the petitioner, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3-Senior Superintendent of Police, Khanna, District Ludhiana, to consider and decide the representation/complaint dated 25.03.2026 (Annexure P-6) of the petitioner in accordance with law within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

23.04.2026
A.Kaundal

(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE

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