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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of decision: 13.05.2026

DR.AKHIL MAHAJAN

...PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND ORS

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present: - Dr. Akhil Mahajan, Petitioner-in-person.

Ms. Puneeta Sethi, Addl. A.G. Haryana.

Mr. Ankur Lal, Standing Counsel, U.T. Chandigarh

Mr. Varun Dhawan, Junior Panel Counsel, U.T. Chandigarh.

SHEEL NAGU, C.J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner who appears in person through virtual platform and is heard.

2. This petition essentially prays for the following reliefs:

a) Issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari, or any other appropriate writ, quashing the defective Enquiry Report dated 07.07.2025 (Annexure P-13) submitted by Enquiry Officer Sh. A.K. Singh, IAS (Respondent No. 6) appointed by the Additional Chief Secretary, Town And Country Planning Department, Haryana (Respondent No. 3) for being arbitrary, biased, and conducted in blatant violation of the principles of natural justice and without recording findings on Annexure P-11 dated 22.05.25 and/or;

b) For issuance of a writ of mandamus directing an Independent Investigation by a Special Investigation



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Team (SIT) under section 37 read with section 21(5) of The protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 per List II Entry No. 35 or another competent independent agency into the incident dated 29.01.2025 regarding the criminal intimidation and physical manhandling by Sh. Amit Khatri, IAS (Respondent No. 5) and his staff with serious charges of mis-conduct by certain public officials & HRERA members with proof which is grim reminder of nexus of certain IAS and private licensee as evident from pending consideration petitions CWP-4386-2026 (Annexure P-20) dated 13.02.26, CWP- 10476-2026 (Annexure P-22) dated 08.04.26, CWP-32994-2025 (Annexure P-19) dated 07.11.25 & Annexure P-23 dated 30.04.26 and/or;

c) For issuance of a writ directing the State of Haryana (Respondent No.1) to award appropriate compensation to the petitioner under the doctrine of constitutional tort for the grave violation of the petitioner's fundamental rights under article 21 and/or;

d) for issuance of a writ of mandamus issuing appropriate directions ensuring the dignified access of citizens to government offices and preventing arbitrary obstruction by public officials like respondent no. 5 and/or;

3. It appears that the complaint was made by the petitioner as regards mis-behaviour of respondent No.5-Senior IAS Officer, whereafter, petitioner again filed a complaint bearing No.280/3/2025 against respondent No.4 before the Haryana Human Rights Commission, Chandigarh, upon which the Additional Chief Secretary, Town and

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Country Department and Urban Estates was asked to conduct a preliminary inquiry and submit report.

4. The petitioner apprehends that since the complaint is against the Director, Town and Country Planning, who is also a Senior IAS Officer, the inquiry conducted by the Additional Chief Secretary would not be free from partiality.

5. The Additional Chief Secretary has submitted a report dated 07.07.2025 (Annexure P-13) which is presently under consideration before the Haryana Human Rights Commission.

6. The grievance of the petitioner is not only of the lack of free and fair inquiry to be conducted but also to the fact that the Human Rights Commission, has not taken any decision till date.

7. Without commenting on the merits of the case, it would be appropriate to await the decision of the Human Rights Commission, Haryana, which is directed to ensure that the inquiry vide complaint No. 280/3/2025 is completed as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of two months from today.

8. The present petition stands disposed of.

**(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE**

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- i) Whether speaking/reasoned?
ii) Whether reportable?

**(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE**

- Yes/No
Yes/No