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

**Criminal Writ Petition No. 6602 of 2026 (O&M)  
Date of Decision: 02.06.2026**

Gourav Arora and others

..... Petitioners

**Versus**

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA**

Present: Ms. Sheena Khanna, Advocate  
for the petitioners.

(Through Video-Conferencing)

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**HARKESH MANUJA, J. (ORAL)**

By way of present petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, a prayer has been made for issuance of direction to respondent Nos. 3 & 4 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondent Nos. 4 & 5.

[2] At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioners has pointed out that instead of pressing the present petition on merits, his clients would be satisfied in case their representation dated 12.05.2026 (Annexure P-3) is considered and decided by passing a speaking order expeditiously.

[3] The above prayer seems to be justified.

[4] Notice of motion *qua* respondent Nos. 1 to 3 only.

[5] Mr. Gunjan Mehta, Additional Advocate General, Punjab, who has already been on advance notice on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 to 3, raises no objection against the innocuous prayer made on behalf of the petitioner.



[6] In view of the agreed stand taken by both sides, but without going into the merits of the controversy, the present petition is **disposed off** with a direction to respondent No. 2 to look into the representation dated 12.05.2026 (P-3) and decide the same in accordance with law by passing a speaking order, preferably within a period of two (02) weeks from today. In case the needful is not done, respondent No. 2 shall be liable to pay costs of Rs. 2 lakhs from his / her own pocket to the petitioners which shall be recoverable as arrears of land revenue.

[7] It is made clear that nothing said hereinabove shall be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the controversy.

**June 02, 2026**

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**( HARKESH MANUJA )  
JUDGE**

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| <i>Whether Speaking/reasoned</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |
| <i>Whether Reportable</i>        | <i>Yes/No</i> |