

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

CRWP No.1381 of 2015 (O&M)

Date of decision: 9.10.2015.

Amanpreet Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Petitioner in person with
Mr. Satbir Rathore, Advocate.

Ms. Harsimrat Rai DAG, Punjab.

The detenue in person along with her father
Sh. Gurdeep Singh.

Mr. Gautam Dutt, Advocate and
Mr. A.S. Sullar, Advocate,
for UT-Administration.

Jitendra Chauhan, J.

The parties are present in person. The alleged detenue

Ms. Baljeet Kaur daughter of Sh. Gurdeep Singh (respondent No.4)
states that she is major and is a Post-Graduate in commerce. She was
appointed as Teacher in Silver Oak International Sr. Secondary
School, Shahbazpur. She further states that after she conveyed to her
parents that she wanted to marry the petitioner, the parents have forced
her to leave her job. She is kept under strict surveillance all the times
and being mentally and physically tortured by her parents. She
apprehends that there is threat to her life at the hands of respondent

No.4. She has also made a statement in writing that she wants to go with Amanpreet Singh with her own free will and she does not want to go to her parents. She wants to get married to Amanpreet Singh. She has pleaded for safety and security of her life and the life of the petitioner Amanpreet Singh. She admits that the letter Annexure P-2 dated 28.8.2015 was written by her to the petitioner. She further states that Amanpret Singh is a Chartered Accountant and working as Manager in Punjab National Bank, Indore.

The mater was taken up by this Court on 1.10.2015 in the presence of father of alleged detainee and he assured the Court that no harm would be caused to the alleged detainee. Today, again she has conveyed to the Court that the intensity of the threat and harassment and beatings have increased after the assurance was given by the parents to this Court. She further states that a large number of her relatives and family friends have come to the Court and are also waiting outside the Court complex.

Admittedly, she is major. The marriage is solely opposed by respondent No.4 on the basis that the parties hail from different caste. Keeping in view the grave apprehension as expressed by her with regard to her life and security, the Court is under obligation to rescue the detainee and she is set free from the custody of her parents. The alleged detainee is free to move in the society as per her wish. She has desired to go to Village VPO Jaja, Tehsil Dasuya,

District Hoshiapur to join the family of the petitioner.

However, keeping in view the fact that the large number of family members along with family friends have come to the Court premises, therefore, she needs protection to reach the destination i.e. Village VPO Jaja, Tehsil Dasuya, District Hoshiapur, the State counsel as well as learned counsel for the Administration are directed to make all necessary arrangements for her safety, security and transportation to reach her destination safe and unharmed.

SSP, Hoshiapur is directed to immediately send a responsible officer to village Jaja, Tehsil Dasuya to assess the threat perception and take all necessary steps to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner and members of his family.

A copy of the order be given by hand under the signatures of Bench Secretary to the learned counsel for UT as well as learned counsel for the State of Punjab for compliance.

Disposed of.

9.10.2015.
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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE