

Criminal Misc. M- No. 25418 of 2018 (O&M)

Date of decision : June 08, 2018

Partiksha and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILLPresent: Mr. Manmeet Singh Rana, Advocate
for the petitioners.

LISA GILL, J.

Petitioners seek protection of their life and liberty as they apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No. 4 and 5 and other relatives because they have married each other on 06.06.2018 against the wishes of the said respondents.

Both the petitioners present in Court, duly identified by their counsel, on being asked submit that they have solemnized marriage with each other out of their own free will and volition. Petitioners state that this is their first marriage.

It is contended that the petitioners are major, their dates of birth being 19.08.1999 and 01.01.1996, respectively. True copies of Adhaar Cards of both the petitioners have been appended with the petition as Annexures P1 and P2, respectively. A copy of the Marriage Certificate and the photographs of the marriage are on record as Annexures P3 and P4, respectively. Petitioners, it is stated, have submitted representation dated 06.06.2018 (Annexure P5) to respondent No.2 i.e., the Senior Superintendent of Police (Rural), District Jalandhar for redressal of their grievance but no action has been taken thereon.

Notice of motion to Advocate General, Punjab.

On the asking of the Court, Ms. Deepali Puri, Addl.AG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. Copies of the petition have been handed over to learned counsel for the State.

Without commenting upon the age of the petitioners or the validity of their marriage or the validity and genuineness of the certificates/documents appended with the petition, respondent No.2 – the Senior Superintendent of Police (Rural), District Jalandhar is directed to look into representation dated 06.06.2018 (Annexure P5) submitted by the petitioners and take appropriate action if any/as may be required, keeping in view the threat perception to the petitioners.

It is, however, made clear that this order shall have no effect on the validity of the alleged marriage of the petitioners and neither will any other civil or criminal proceedings initiated against the petitioners be barred due to this order.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

June 08, 2018
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(Lisa Gill)
Judge

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