

**In the High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana  
At Chandigarh**

CRM-M-299-2019 (O&M)  
Date of Decision:- 8.1.2019

Nisha Devi and another ... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others ... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL**

Present:- Mr. A.P.Kaushal, Advocate for the petitioners.

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**GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)**

Petitioners Nisha Devi and Parlad Singh have averred that they have married against wishes of respondents No.4 and 5 who are parents of petitioner No.1. The petitioners have annexed copies of their Aadhar Cards indicating that both the petitioners are aged 22 years.

The petitioners apprehend threat to their life and liberty at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5 and thus seek issuance of appropriate directions.

At this stage Sh. Sarvesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate has put in appeared on behalf of respondent No.4-Subesh Chander and has filed power of attorney. He has expressed that respondent No.4 i.e. father of petitioner No.1 is also present in person and wishes to have a word with his daughter i.e. petitioner No.1. In view of the aforesaid request, respondent No.4 was permitted to meet petitioner No.1 outside the Court for a brief while.

After a short while, when respondent No.4 and petitioner No.1 came back, respondent No.4 has assured that he shall not cause any harm to

the petitioners in any manner. Respondent No.4 was accordingly advised not to cause any harm to the petitioners under any circumstances and that he may have recourse to legal remedies as may be available to him.

Learned counsel for respondent No.4 has however informed that in fact marriage of petitioner No.1 had been fixed with another boy and was to be solemnized on 10.2.2019 and that the step taken by petitioner No.1- Nisha Devi by marrying against the wishes of her parents has deeply embarrassed her parents i.e. respondents No.4 and 5.

The petition is disposed of with a direction to Senior Superintendent of Police, Hoshiarpur to look into the representation Annexure P-5 made by petitioners, in accordance with law, immediately upon receipt of certified copy of this order. In case any serious apprehension of threat to the life and liberty of the petitioners is found, requisite steps be taken immediately, in accordance with law, to protect life and liberty of the petitioners.

It is however clarified that the aforesaid order shall not be interpreted to mean any expression as regards validity of marriage of the petitioners.

**January 8, 2019**

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**( GURVINDER SINGH GILL )  
JUDGE**

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No