

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-29290-2019

Date of decision: - 04.10.2019

Mamta and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Mr. S.S. Aviraj, Advocate, for the petitioners.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (ORAL)

In the present petition, the prayer of the petitioners is for protecting their life and liberty as they have apprehend danger to the same at the hands of respondents No. 4 to 8.

Learned counsel for the petitioners argues that the petitioners are major and hence, they have a right to choose their life partner and both the petitioners got married on 15.10.2018. Learned counsel for the petitioners states that after the marriage, petitioner No. 1 was living with her parents only and did not disclose the factum of marriage until recently when the parents of petitioner No. 1 came to know that she is five months pregnant. Learned counsel for the petitioners argues that both the petitioners want to stay at Panipat and they have apprehension that the private respondents, who are the family members of petitioner No. 1, will cause harm to their life and liberty and, hence, they need protection in this regard.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has drawn my attention to the representation dated 01.10.2019 (Annexure P-5) sent by the

petitioners to respondent No. 2-Commissioner of Police, District Panipat, seeking protection of their life and liberty at the hands of the private respondents.

Issue notice to respondents No.1 to 3 only.

At the asking of the Court Mr. C.S. Bakhshi, learned Additional Advocate General, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

Without making any observation on the merits of the case, especially in respect of the marriage performed by the petitioners, a direction is issued to respondent Nos. 2 and 3 to take appropriate decision on the representation, which the petitioners allege to have made on 01.10.2019, expressing their apprehension about danger to their life and liberty at the hands of respondents No. 4 to 8. In case any merit is found in the representation, the appropriate action will be taken by respondents No.2 and 3 to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of the private respondents.

It is clarified that this order shall not be treated as an approval of this Court about the marriage of the parties and no opinion with regard to the validity of the marriage has been expressed in this order.

The writ petition stands disposed of.

October 04, 2019
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

<i>Whether reasoned/speaking?</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Whether reportable?</i>	<i>No</i>