

ISHA AND ANOTHER VS STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

Present: Petitioners in person with
Mr. Bharat Julka, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Ayush Sarna, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Rajiv Vij, Addl. PP, UT, Chandigarh.

This writ petition was filed seeking a direction to the police authorities of the State of Punjab to protect the lives and liberty of the petitioners and not to allow the unofficial respondents No. 4 to 11, the relations of the first petitioner, Isha, to interfere with the peaceful life of the petitioners.

Taking note of the fact that Isha, the first petitioner, is aged only 16 years 5 months and as it was not the case of the petitioners that they have gotten married, this Court directed the first petitioner to be sent to Nari Niketan, Sector 26, Chandigarh. The matter was adjourned to 07.11.2019 to enable Isha, the first petitioner, and the parents of the first petitioner to introspect on their future course of action.

Today, Isha, the first petitioner, is produced before the Court by Lady Head Constable Birbati, Police Lines, Sector 26, Chandigarh.

Upon interacting with Isha, the first petitioner, and her parents, respondent No.4 and 5, in chambers, this Court finds that Isha, the first petitioner, is now willing to return to her parental home and await the day when she would attain majority before she takes any decision.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of recording that Isha, the first petitioner, out of her free will and consent is returning to her parental home with her parents, respondent Nos. 4 and 5. The parents of the first petitioner, respondent Nos. 4 and 5, assured this Court that they would take proper care of the first petitioner and would not take any decision against her will in relation to choosing her life partner, when the time comes.

As the second writ petitioner, Vishal, is stated to be in possession of the belongings of Isha, the first petitioner, including money, mobile phone and jewellery, the second petitioner is directed to return the same to the first petitioner in Court on 08.11.2019 at 11.00 A.M.

The custody of Isha, the first petitioner, is handed over to her parents, respondent Nos. 4 and 5, in open Court.

A copy of this order shall be given to the lady Head Constable Birbati, under the signature of the Bench Secretary.

07.11.2019

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**(SANJAY KUMAR)
JUDGE**

whether speaking/non speaking	:	Yes/no
whether reportable/non reportable	:	Yes/no