

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

CWP-32878-2019

Date of decision: 15.11.2019

Prabhjot Kaur (Minor) and another

.....Petitioners.

vs.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents.

CORAM: - HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

Present: - Petitioner No. 1 in person with
Mr. Pranav Handa, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Ayush Sarna, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Parminder Singh Rai, Advocate for respondent No.4.

Lady Head Constable, Asha Devi, 1420,
Police Lines Sector 26, Chandigarh-in person

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Sanjay Kumar, J. (ORAL)

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 from the hands of respondents No. 4 to 9, their relations.

When the matter was taken up for hearing on 14.11.2019, this Court took notice of the fact that the first petitioner, Prabhjot Kaur, was a minor, being of the age of 16 years and 3 months, and as there was no marriage, worth the name, performed by and between the petitioners, whereby the second petitioner could claim to be her legal guardian, the first petitioner was sent to Nari Niketan, Sector 26, Chandigarh.

Today, when the matter was taken up for hearing, the father of the first petitioner and her aunt presented themselves before this Court.

Mr. Parminder Singh Rai, learned counsel, entered appearance for the father, respondent No. 4, by filing his power of attorney.

Having interacted with the first petitioner, her father and her aunt in chambers, this Court found that the first petitioner is now ready and willing to return to her parental home. The father and aunt of the first petitioner assured this Court that they would care for the first petitioner without resentment for the fact that she left home without their consent and that they would not take any decision against her will, be it in relation to her further studies or to her marriage in due course of time.

As the first petitioner is a minor and her father, respondent No. 4 is her legal guardian as on date, it would be appropriate that she return to her parental home as per her own wishes. The cause in this writ petition, as framed, no longer survives for consideration. The writ petition is accordingly dismissed. Necessary formalities in this regard shall be completed by the Nari Niketan, Sector 26, Chandigarh, today itself and custody of the first petitioner shall be handed over to her father, respondent No. 4.

No order as to costs.

A copy of this order be given to Lady Head Constable, Asha Devi, 1420, Police Lines, Sector 26, Chandigarh, under the signature of the Bench Secretary for compliance.

(SANJAY KUMAR)
JUDGE

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