

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP No.3529 of 2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision :08.06.2020

Nirmala and another

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE

Present : Mr. Vivek K. Thakur, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Bhupinder Singh Beniwal, AAG, Punjab.

(The aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing since the proceedings are being conducted in virtual Court)

ARUN PALLI, J. (Oral):

A mandamus is prayed for commanding the official respondents (respondents No. 1 to 3) to protect the lives and liberty of the petitioners.

Petitioners Nirmala Kumari and Manish claim themselves to be major. They purport to have been in a relationship for quite some time. They intended to marry each other but their decision was resisted by the parents of petitioner no.1 and her family members. However, the petitioners alleged to have solemnized marriage on 3.6.2020, contrary to the wishes of the private respondents as per Hindu rites and rituals. Their grievance is that despite their persistent efforts to pacify or convince the private respondents they are not ready to accept their relationship or reconcile with their marriage. Rather, the petitioners have been threatened with dire consequences and thus they apprehend danger to their lives as also their implication in some false case. And faced with this situation they had

represented to respondent no.2 vide representation dated 4.6.2020 to take necessary measures to secure their lives and liberty. But to no avail.

Given the nature of the limited issue involved and the order I propose to pass, neither any formal notice to the respondents nor their response would be necessary at this stage.

Thus, in the wake of the above, and without commenting upon the veracity of the allegations set out in the petition as also the validity of the marriage of the petitioners, the petition is disposed of with a direction to the Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar (respondent No.2), that, if any such representation, as indicated above, is pending, the same shall be considered forthwith and appropriate measures, as deemed necessary, shall be taken.

A copy of this order be sent to the Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar (respondent No.2), so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

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