

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

CRWP No.4221 of 2010
Date of Decision: 30.06.2020

Vandeep Kaur and Anr.

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and Ors.

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr. K.B. Raheja, Advocate for the petitioners.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J

The case has been taken up by way of Video Conference as per instructions in view of COVID-19 pandemic.

Grievance of the petitioners, who are husband and wife living in Moga, raised in this petition is that petitioner No.2 had assisted respondent No.4 in getting his Visa prepared on assurance of being paid a sum of Rs.40,000/-. He had received Rs.20,000/- from respondent No.4 in this respect but instead of paying the balance amount of Rs.20,000/-, respondent No.4 has dropped his plan to go abroad due to spread of COVID-19 and is demanding his money back.

Learned counsel states that the petitioners are receiving constant threat of being implicated in false case if they do not return the money to respondent No.4. They are harassed by being frequently called to the Police Station without adhering to the mandatory provisions of law contemplated under Section 160 Cr.P.C in the guise of inquiry, at the behest of respondent Nos.4 & 5.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case or opining on the veracity of the allegations contained in the representation, this petition is disposed of with a direction that in case the presence of the petitioners is required in connection with the investigation of any case, procedure as contemplated under Section 160 Cr.P.C be strictly followed.

June 30, 2020
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(Harinder Singh Sidhu)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No