

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

**CRWP No. 4367 of 2020
Date of Decision: 02.7.2020**

Gurmeet Kaur

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Saurabh Kapoor, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

This petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directing respondents No. 1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner from the hands of respondents No. 4 to 9.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that parents of the petitioner want to solemnize her marriage somewhere else against her wish but she is in love with one Simranjeet Singh who is running a shop in the village but is not major. He further contends the petitioner and Simranjeet Singh want to marry each other after attaining the marriageable age of Simranjeet Singh but the family members of the petitioner are against their relationship.

Learned counsel for the petitioner also submits that petitioner is now major and free to choose her life partner and started living with the family of Simranjeet Singh and they have been facing threat from the family members of the petitioner and in this regard, they have also moved a

representation dated 24.6.2020 (Annexure P-1) to Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar Rural, Jalandhar-respondent No. 2.

Notice of motion to respondents No. 1 to 3– State only.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Amit Mehta, Sr. DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State.

Without commenting upon the marital status of the petitioner and Simranjeet Singh, I dispose of the petition with directions to respondent No. 2 to decide the representation of the petitioner, Annexure P-1 and grant her protection, if any threat to her life and liberty is perceived. It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioner from legal action for violation of law if any committed by her.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

July 02, 2020
Gurpreet

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