

113 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Criminal Writ Petition No. 4953 of 2020

Date of decision : July 17, 2020

Aman Devi and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Ram Karan Agnihotri, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Bhupender Beniwal, AAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to the outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

Petitioners seek protection of their life and liberty as they apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No. 4 to 7 and other relatives because they have married each other on 14.07.2020 against the wishes of the said respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners identifies both the petitioners on the basis of documents attached.

It is contended that the petitioners are major, their dates of birth being 21.02.1996 and 15.03.1995, respectively. True copies of Adhaar Cards of both the petitioners are appended with the petition as Annexures P1 and P2, respectively. It is submitted that petitioner No. 2 has converted to Hinduism. A copy of the Marriage Photographs and Marriage Certificate are on record as Annexures P-3 and P-4, respectively. Petitioners, it is stated, submitted representation dated 14.07.2020 (Annexure P5) to

respondent No.2 i.e., the Senior Superintendent of Police, District SAS Nagar (Mohali) for redressal of their grievance but no action has been taken thereon.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3.

Mr. Bhupender Beniwal, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. Advance copy of the petition already stands served.

Without commenting upon the age of the petitioners or the validity of their marriage or the validity and genuineness of the certificates/documents appended with the petition, respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, District SAS Nagar (Mohali) is directed to look into representation dated 14.07.2020 submitted by the petitioners and take appropriate action if any/as may be required, keeping in view the threat perception to the petitioners.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

July 17, 2020
rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

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