

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

CRWP-5207-2020

Date of decision:24.7.2020

RAMANDEEP KAUR

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Vikrampreet Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

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

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner-Ramandeep Kaur aged about 18 years seeks issuance of a direction to respondents No.2 & 3 to protect her life and liberty as she apprehends threat to the same at the hands of respondents No.4 & 5 who are none else but her mother and her husband.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that her parents had dissolved their marriage when she was barely 2 years old and that she had been living with her mother and was forcibly married to respondent No.5 when she was barely 16 ½ years old. However, since her husband was an addict and used to beat her, she left her matrimonial home and came back to her mother's house but even her mother was not kind to her and forced her to establish physical relations with some unknown persons constraining the petitioner to leave even her parental home.

3. It has been submitted that she has now been residing with her friends and that the family of one of her friend namely Charanjeet Singh is ready to keep the petitioner but the petitioner's mother and her husband i.e. respondents No.4 & 5 are bent upon causing harm to her.
4. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner. Without expressing any opinion as regards the relationship of the petitioner with Charanjeet Singh, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala to get the matter examined especially as regards the threat perception. In case, there is any genuine apprehension of threat to life and liberty of the petitioner, then adequate steps be taken so as to ensure that no harm is caused to the petitioner.
5. It is however made clear that the aforesaid order shall not confer any immunity upon the petitioner in case it is found that she has committed any wrong.
6. A copy of this order be sent to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.

(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

24.7.2020
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Whether reasoned / speaking? Yes / No

Whether reportable? Yes / No