

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
CHANDIGARH

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CRWP No. 5406 of 2020
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Simranjit Kaur and another

....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G.S.SANDHAWALIA

Present: Mr. Nitin Mittoo, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. N.K. Banka, DAG, Punjab.

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conferencing as per instructions).

G.S.SANDHAWALIA, J. (Oral)

The petitioners seek protection on account of their marriage which took place on 23.07.2020 against the wishes of respondent no. 4.

Notice of motion was issued on 30.07.2020 by the Co-ordinate Bench and it was directed that Commissioner of Police shall look into threat perception to the petitioners, if so required. It was noticed that petitioner no. 2, who is the husband, was 19 years of age. Accordingly, a report was asked for as to what is the stand of the State with regard to the religious places which are facilitating/performing marriage of minors in violation of the provisions of the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006.

Affidavit of Assistant Commissioner of Police (West), Ludhiana has been filed accordingly, in which, it has been averred that FIR No. 142 dated 13.08.2020 under Sections 10 and 11 of the said Act has been registered against the *Granthi* namely Inderjit Singh and the two witnesses namely Bintu Kumar and Rajinder Kumar Bhagat. A final report under

Section 173 Cr.P.C. will accordingly be prepared. It has also been stated that the petitioners have no danger from the private respondents and are residing happily as husband and wife in the house of petitioner no. 2.

Keeping in view the above and the stand taken by the counsel for the State, the present petition is disposed of having been rendered infructuous.

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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No