

THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
(through video conferencing)

CRWP-6610-2020

Decided on :August 31, 2020

Neha Devi and another

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. S. K. Choudhary, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

In this writ petition filed under Articles 226 of the Constitution of India, the petitioners have prayed for issuance of a writ in the nature of *Mandamus* to direct respondent Nos. 1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners and further to direct respondent respondent Nos. 4 to 7 not to harass them. Besides, a further prayer has also been made for directing respondent No.2 to decide the representation filed by the petitioners expeditiously.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are major and have solemnized their marriage on 26.08.2020 against the wishes of the private respondents, who have been threatening them with dire consequences. Soon after their marriage, the petitioners submitted a representation dated 26.08.2020 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2 i.e. Sr. Superintendent of Police, Pathankot for redressal of their grievance but no action has been taken thereon so far. Learned counsel for the petitioners

submits that the petitioners would be satisfied if a direction is issued to the official respondents for taking a decision on their representation dated 26.08.2020 (Annexure P-5).

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court Ms. Samina Dhir, DAG., Punjab who has joined the proceedings through video conferencing accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents.

In view of the limited prayer made by the petitioner, the petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot to look into the representation dated 26.8.2020 (Annexure P-5) and take necessary steps, if any required, in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within two months, from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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