

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-6640-2020

Date of decision: 01.09.2020

Geeta Rani and another

....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Ms. Manjeet Kaur, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. P.S. Walia, Assistant AG, Punjab.

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing on account of restrictions due to outbreak of pandemic COVID-19.

Petitioners-Geeta Rani and Ashok Kumar, stated to be aged 32 & 30 years respectively, have jointly filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer for issuance of directions to respondents No.3 & 4 to protect their life and liberty from the hands of respondents No.5 to 10 and their associates.

Learned counsel for the petitioners, based on the pleadings submits that petitioner No.1 got married with respondent No.4 on 02.05.2007 and three children were born from the wedlock. It is then pleaded in Para 5 of the petition that respondents No.4 to 9 use to physically beat petitioner No.1 and also harass the children. It is also contended that

on 29.03.2020, respondent No.4 had again beaten petitioner No.1 under the influence of liquor along with respondents No.5 to 9. Learned counsel then makes specific reference to Para 7 of the petition, to submit that petitioner No.1 has now started to live (along with three children) with petitioner No.2. It is also submitted that petitioner no.1 has decided to file divorce petition and has already signed the same.

In view of the above, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that through the present petition, the prayer is made for protection of life and liberty because of threats received from respondents No.4 to 9. She submits that petitioner No.2 would of course take legal remedy regarding divorce etc. Learned Counsel then submits that for the above said grievance, a detailed representation dated 25.08.2020 (Annexure P-3) was submitted to the Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. P.S. Walia, Assistant AG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

While refraining from making any expression as regards the veracity of the averments made in the petition, the petition is **disposed of** with a direction that in case, the petitioners approach the police authorities concerned, with above representation (Annexure P-3) with regard to their alleged threat perception, the same shall be got examined by the Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar, Punjab(respondent No.2) as expeditiously as possible, in accordance with law and necessary steps as may be warranted under the facts and circumstances of the case, be taken

thereupon forthwith.

A copy of this order be sent to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar, Punjab (respondent No.2), so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.

Criminal Writ Petition is disposed of accordingly.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
JUDGE

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