

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

**CRWP No.6669 of 2020
Date of Decision:-01.09.2020**

Kirandeep Kaur and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present:- Mohd. Jameel, Advocate
for the petitioners.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI J.(Oral) (Through Video Conference)

The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of directions to the respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the lives and personal liberty of the petitioners and also directing respondents No.4 to 10 not to interfere in the personal lives and liberty of the petitioners as well as direction to respondents No.2 and 3 not to allow respondents No.4 to 10 or anybody else to interfere with the liberty and lives of the petitioners.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has *inter alia* submitted that both the petitioners, who are husband and wife, are major. Learned counsel

for the petitioners has referred to the Aadhar Card of the girl, namely, Kirandeep Kaur as well as the I.D. Card issued by the Election Commission of India and also the Aadhar Card of petitioner No.2-Jaswinder Singh to show that both the petitioners are major. He has also referred to Annexure P-4, which is Marriage Certificate issued by the Gurudwara Dashmesh Pita Patshahi Daswal (Registered), village Singha Devi, Tehsil Kharar, District Mohali to contend that both the petitioners have got married with each other in accordance with religious rites on 27.8.2020 and which is supported by the photographs in that regard vide Annexure P-5. He has also referred to Annexure P-6, which is representation dated 26.8.2020 moved by the petitioners addressed to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur for grant of protection and expressing threat at the hands of relatives of the girl- Kirandeep Kaur. The petitioners have specifically mentioned in para 6 of the petition that there is serious threat to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents and now the petitioners are living in a state of fear and anxiety as the private respondents and other relatives are extending threat by saying that they will lodge a false case against the petitioners. The petitioners have therefore prayed for grant of protection to their lives and liberty.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3 only.

Mr. M.S. Nagra, Assistant A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

At this stage Mr. Mohd. Yousaf, Advocate has appeared on behalf of respondent No.4, who is stated to be father of the girl and has stated that although it has come to their knowledge by perusing the contents

of the petition and by looking the photographs attached alongwith the present petition that his daughter got married with petitioner No.2 but he submits that he is concerned with regard to the welfare of his daughter and wants to meet her under the supervision of the police officials. He has categorically submitted that he will not pose any kind of threat to the petitioners. He has further submitted that so far as respondent No.5 is concerned, he is residing outside India and therefore there can be no threat from him.

The scope of the present petition is confined only to the protection of lives and liberty of the petitioners and it does not reflect anything on the validity or authenticity of the marriage of the petitioners *inter se*.

Therefore, considering the prayer of the petitioners in this regard, it is directed that respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur shall look into the matter and assess the threat perception of the petitioners in this regard and thereafter take appropriate action, if required, in accordance with law. So far as the prayer of respondent No.4 is concerned, respondent No.4 is at liberty to approach the Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur for the purpose of meeting with his daughter. In case such a requested is made to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur, then the Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur shall appoint a lady police official and arrange for a meeting between petitioner No.1 and respondent No.4 under her supervision for a period of one hour only. The aforesaid directions are being issued only on the assurance being made by respondent No.4 that there is no threat whatsoever of any kind

from respondent No.4 towards the petitioners.

Disposed of.

September 01, 2020
Vijay Asija

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes / No
Yes / No