

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

117)

CRWP no.7278 of 2020

Date of Decision: 09.11.2020

Priyanka Rani and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present:- Mr. Naresh Paul Chandel, Advocate, for the petitioners.
Mr. Harbir Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

Amol Rattan Singh, J. (Oral)

All the cases listed today have been taken up for hearing by way of video conferencing because of the situation existing due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

By this petition, filed under the provisions of Article 226 of the Constitution of India, the petitioners seek issuance of a direction to respondents no.2 and 3, to protect their life and liberty, at the hands of respondents no.4 to 7, with a further prayer made, directing them not to interfere in the matrimonial life of the petitioners.

On October 30, 2020, the following order had been passed:-

“All cases listed today have been taken up for hearing by way of video conferencing because of the situation existing due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

None appears for the petitioners possibly because it is well past court time; however, learned State counsel submits that as per his instructions the petitioners have already made a statement to the police that they are no longer in need of any protection.

For learned counsel for the petitioners to confirm that fact and also to respond to the request made by counsel for the respondents no.4 to

7, that petitioner no.1 may be asked to meet with her parents, adjourned to 09.11.2020.

To be shown in the urgent motion list.”

Today learned counsel for the petitioner seeks an adjournment.

In view of the above order and nothing contrary having been brought to the notice of this court, I see no reason to continue with this petition, which is consequently disposed of as having been rendered infructuous.

In case the petitioners at any time find themselves threatened, they would be naturally at liberty to approach respondents no.2 and 3, seeking protection of their lives and liberty.

It is however made clear that, equally naturally, this court has expressed no opinion on the validity of the marriage between the petitioners, or otherwise, this only being a petition seeking protection of their lives and liberty.

09.11.2020
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(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking: Yes
Whether reportable: No