

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

Sr. No.111

CRWP-7370-2020

Date of Decision: September 18, 2020

NISHA AND ANOTHER

...Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ARCHANA PURI

Present: Mr. Bhupender Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

ARCHANA PURI, J.

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing in the light of COVID-19 pandemic.

Through the present petition, the petitioners, Nisha and Sumit, seek issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 not to harass them and also not to harass the family members and relatives of the petitioner No.1.

In the petition, it is stated that both the petitioners are major and to so substantiate the factum of their age, copies of Aadhar Cards have been annexed with the petition. Even, to substantiate the factum of marriage, marriage certificate dated 15.09.2020 and photographs of the marriage, have been placed on record as Annexures P-3 and P-4, respectively. Petitioners are stated to be residing within the jurisdiction of this Court. Now they apprehend danger to their lives and personal liberty, at

the instance of private respondents No.4 to 6, on account of marriage having

solemnized by them. To substantiate their claim, even the affidavit of petitioner No.1 has been filed. Further, it is also stated in the petition that the petitioners had filed representation dated 15.09.2020 before respondent No.2, copy whereof is placed on record as Annexure P-5, but no action is being taken on the same.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Kapil Bansal, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of official respondents No.1 to 3.

In view of the assertions, the present petition is disposed of with the direction to respondent No.2 to look into the matter and also to consider the representation dated 15.09.2020, copy whereof is Annexure P-5, and if he finds that there is any genuine apprehension of danger to the lives and personal liberty of the petitioners, family members and relatives of petitioner No.1, then he is directed to take appropriate steps to ensure their protection in the fitness of the circumstances.

However, these observations are circumscribed only for the purposes of disposal of the present petition, without prejudice to the rights of the parties, to be adjudicated in any civil or criminal proceedings qua their age, factum of marriage and the validity thereof.

Accordingly, the petition stands disposed of.

(ARCHANA PURI)
JUDGE

September 18, 2020

Himanshu

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No