

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

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**CRM-M No.32067 of 2020
Date of decision:12.10.2020**

REKHA RANI

.....Petitioner

Vs

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

.....Respondents

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH*

Present: Mr.J.S.Bhinder, Advocate for the petitioner.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J.(Oral)

The case has been taken up for hearing through video-conferencing.

This petition has been filed for issuance of appropriate directions to respondents No.2 and 3 in the context of protection of life and liberty of the petitioner from the hands of respondents No.4 to 8.

Marriage of the petitioner was solemnized with respondent No.4. Two male and one female children took birth from the said wedlock. Now respondent No.4 has contracted second marriage with respondent No.7 and is residing with her. Petitioner seeks to rely upon the photographs of second marriage of respondent No.4 without taking divorce from the petitioner.

Representations dated 10.8.2020 (Annexure P-2) and

1.9.2020 (Annexure P-3) filed by the petitioner before respondent No.2 are still pending. The representation dated 10.8.2020 has been marked to respondent No.3 vide diary No. 2219 dated 12.8.2020. The allegation of second marriage in terms of Section 494 IPC may attract non cognizable offence, but qua the protection of life and liberty of the petitioner, respondent No.3 can be directed to act in accordance with law.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of Court, Mr.Harbir Sandhu, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

In view of nature of order, which this Court proposes to pass there is no necessity of calling upon any response at this stage, as no order prejudicial to the interest of respondents is being passed.

In view of above, without meaning anything on the merits of the case, respondent No.2 is directed to decide the representation dated 10.8.2020 (Annexure P-2) filed by the petitioner in accordance with law within a period of one month from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

October 12, 2020

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Whether reasoned/speaking

**(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)
JUDGE**

Yes/No