

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

106 - CRWP-8133-2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 08.10.2020

Gurjant Singh & Anr.

... Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab & Ors.

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GIRISH AGNIHOTRI

Present: Mr. SS Dhaliwal, Advocate for the petitioners

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

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

The petitioners, namely, Gurjant Singh and Rekha who claim themselves to be major have filed the present petition *inter alia* praying for protection of their life and liberty since they apprehend threat to the same as they intend to marry each other against the wishes of their parents and relatives.

Learned counsel for the petitioners based upon the pleadings submits that both the petitioners have decided to marry each other. He submits that both the petitioners have attained majority. It is averred that private respondents have not given consent for the marriage of the petitioners and as such there are threats to petitioner No.2. It is further specifically pleaded in para 3 of the petition that petitioner No.2 has left her parental home and after joining the company of petitioner No.1 they are again getting threats from the private respondents.

Notice of motion.

On the asking, Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab accepts notice through video conferencing.

Counsel for the petitioners further submits that a representation has been submitted by the petitioners to the Sr. Superintendent of Police, Ludhiana (Rural) (P3).

While this Court refrains from making any expression as regard to the veracity of the averments having been made, this Court deems it appropriate to dispose of the present petition with a direction that in case the present petitioners approach the police authorities concerned by way of filing a representation, if already not filed, with regard to their alleged threat perception, the same shall be got examined expeditiously by the Sr. Superintendent of Police, Ludhiana (Rural) (respondent No.2), in accordance with law and thereafter let necessary steps, as may be warranted under the facts and circumstances of the cases, be taken thereupon forthwith.

A copy of this order be sent to respondent No.2 by the Registry through e-mail or any other mode so as to enable the said authority to do the needful expeditiously.

Needless to say that the aforesaid order shall not be construed to be an expression on merits.

So ordered.

08.10.2020

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1. *Whether speaking/reasoned?*
2. *Whether reportable?*

(Girish Agnihotri)
Judge

Yes/No
Yes/No