

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Crl. Writ Petition No. 8496 of 2020

Date of Decision: October 16, 2020

Christina Sinclair and another

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Ms. Rimple Saini, Advocate
for the petitioners

Sudhir Mittal, J. (Oral)

The petitioners allege that they have performed their marriage against the wishes of their parents and, thus, they fear for their lives and liberty. A representation dated 12.10.2020 (Annexure P-6) has been submitted to respondent No. 2 but he has not taken any action thereupon.

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

Mr. Amit Mehta, Sr. DAG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents No. 1 to 3 and waives service.

Considering the nature of the order being passed there is no necessity to serve the private respondents or to seek a reply from any one of the respondents.

The petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No. 2 to take into consideration the request of the petitioners made vide representation dated 12.10.2020 (Annexure P-6) and to provide necessary protection in case the facts of the case so dictate.

It is made clear that this order is not a bar on initiation of any proceedings in accordance with law nor is it an expression of opinion regarding the validity or otherwise of the marriage.

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[SUDHIR MITTAL]
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No**Whether Reportable : Yes/No**