

Sr.No.116

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

CRWP-10697 of 2020

Date of decision:22.12.2020

Arjun and another

... Petitioner(s)

versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondent (s)

Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jasgurpreet Singh Puri

Present: Ms. Damini Aggarwal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Through Video Conference

Jasgurpreet Singh Puri, J.(Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioners have submitted that petitioner No.1 has yet to complete the age of marriage i.e. 21 years and petitioner No.2 is 18 years of age. Learned counsel has further submitted that since both the petitioners belong to different caste, the parents of petitioner No.2 are threatening her that she'll get married with someone else. Apprehending threat to their life and liberty, they have filed the present petition for protection.

Petitioners claim to have submitted a representation (Annexure P-5) dated 14.12.2020, in this regard, to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot.

Heard. Record perused.

Notice of motion to the office of Advocate General Punjab.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Mehardeep Singh Dulat, Addl.AG, Punjab, present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State. Copy supplied.

Petitioners have placed on record copies of their Matriculation Certificates and Aadhar Cards (Annexures P-1 to P-4) respectively as proof of their age.

This petition is disposed of with a direction to the SHO, Police Station Sujanpur, Pathankot, to look into the representation Annexure P-5 dated 14.12.2020 and ensure that no harm is caused to the petitioners.

However, it is made clear that this order shall not be treated as stamp of the Court about the marriage of the parties and no opinion regarding the validity of the marriage has been expressed.

22nd December, 2020

Shivani Kaushik

[JASGURPREET SINGH PURI]

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable *Yes/No*