

Sr.No.106

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

**CRWP-1225 of 2021
Date of decision:08.02.2021**

Annu Rani

... Petitioner(s)

versus

State of Haryana and others

... Respondent (s)

Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jasgurpreet Singh Puri

**Present: Mr. Ravi Malik, Advocate
for the petitioner.**

Jasgurpreet Singh Puri, J.(Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the official respondents No.1 to 4 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner from the hands of private respondents No. 5 to 13 and some other persons.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner namely, Annu Rani is aged 26 years and is major. Her Voter I-Card is attached alongwith the petition as Annexure P-1. He has further submitted that the petitioner is a well educated girl and has a degree in M.Com but the private respondents who are the family members of the petitioner are pressurising her to get married with the person of their choice namely, Ravinder s/o Ishwar but it is against her wishes and rather a ring ceremony is also fixed for 11.02.2021 where as the petitioner being major wants to live her own life without any restrictions and marry a boy of

her own choice. He has further submitted that the petitioner is now residing with her sister in village Fatehgarh, Tehsil Julana, District Jind, who gave her a helping hand. He has further submitted that the petitioner has moved an application/representation to the Superintendent of Police, Bhiwani, Haryana and also to S.H.O Police Station Julana, District Jind vide Annexure P-2 dated 03.02.2021 but no action has been taken in this regard.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 4 only.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Munish Sharma, AAG, Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondents No.1 to 4 submits that State has no objection in case the present petition is disposed of without calling for reply from the State with a direction to the concerned authorities to take into consideration the representation and to take further necessary action in accordance with law.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

This Court is satisfied that in the present case without calling for the reply from the State the present petition can be disposed of at this stage. The grievance of the petitioner is that she is 26 years old girl and is being forcibly tried to be married with a person by her parents and family members, whom she does not want to marry. She has also apprehended threat to her life and liberty and therefore, has sought intervention of this Court.

Considering the facts and circumstances of the present case, Superintendent of Police Bhiwani, District Bhiwani, Haryana, respondent No.2 is directed to look into the representation (Annexure P-2) made by the petitioner and to take further steps if so required to protect the life and

liberty of the petitioner and to further proceed in accordance with law.

Disposed of.

8th February, 2021

Shivani Kaushik

[JASGURPREET SINGH PURI]
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
Whether Reportable	Yes/No