

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

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**CWP-4569-2021 (O&M)
Date of Order:25.02.2021**

PRABHJOT SINGH AND ANOTHER

..Petitioner

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Manoj Tanwar, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. Satya Pal Jain, Addl. Solicitor General
of India with Ms. Shweta Nahata
for respondent No.1.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J(Oral)

The petitioners (husband and wife) have filed this writ petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuing a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to revoke the order dated 19.02.2021, vide which the petitioners have given an undertaking that they shall remain in self-quarantine for a period of 14 days from the date on which they landed in the country. It is pleaded that the petitioners have to appear before the Court in a joint petition filed for grant of divorce by mutual consent.

After having heard learned counsel for the petitioners at some length, this Court is of the opinion that no such writ can be issued. It is well settled that private interest has to give way to the public interest. The interest of the individuals cannot be protected at the cost of interest of the public at large. Due to spread of Covid-19, the citizens of all the countries of the world are already suffering.

In these circumstances, no ground to issue the writ as prayed for is made out, however, the Family Court, Gurdaspur, is requested to adjourn the case beyond the date of their quarantine period.

With these observations, the writ petition is disposed of.

February 25, 2021
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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	: Yes/No
Whether reportable	: Yes/No