

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

**CRM-M-19387-2021**

**Date of Decision: July 06, 2021**

Rehmat Ali

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

Present: Mr.Manoj K.Sharma,Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr.Harbir Sandhu, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

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**RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)**

Matter has been taken up through video conferencing via Webex facility in the light of the Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

Instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking appropriate directions to respondent Nos.2 and 3 to add the offences under the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 in FIR No.20, dated 26.02.2021, under Sections 363, 366 IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar, Pathankot.

Prayer made in the petition is totally uncalled for. Investigating Agency is totally at liberty to take the decision and proceed in the investigation in free and fair manner. The contention raised by the petitioner that the offence under the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 is also to be added are to be looked into by the Investigating Agency and if the same are found to have been made, then they are free to deal with the same in accordance with law.

Dismissed.

July 06, 2021

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**( RAJESH BHARDWAJ )**

**JUDGE**

**1. Whether speaking/reasoned ?**

**Yes/No**

**2. Whether reportable ?**

**Yes/No**