

Criminal Writ Petition No.5108 of 2021
Date of decision : June 04, 2021

Rupa and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Rajeev Kumar Sharma, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Sukhbeer Singh, AAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to the outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

Petitioners seek protection of their life and liberty as they apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No. 4 to 8 and other relatives because they have married each other on 29.05.2021 against the wishes of the said respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners identifies the petitioners on the basis of documents attached. It is contended that the petitioners are major, their dates of birth being 02.06.1996 and 07.07.1999, respectively. It is submitted that petitioners have solemnised marriage out of their free will and volition and that there is no legal impediment to their marriage. Aadhar card of both the petitioners are appended with the petition as Annexures P1 and P2, respectively. Marriage certificate and photographs of marriage are on record as Annexures P3 and P4. Petitioners, it is stated, submitted representation dated 01.06.2021 (Annexure P5) to respondent No.2 i.e., the Senior Superintendent of Police, Kapurthala for redressal of their grievance but no action has been taken thereon.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3.

Mr. Sukhbeer Singh, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. Advance copy of the petition already stands served.

Without commenting upon the age of the petitioners or the validity of their marriage or the validity and genuineness of the certificates/documents appended with the petition, respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Kapurthala is directed to look into representation dated 01.06.2021 (Annexure P5) submitted by the petitioners and take appropriate action if any/as may be required, keeping in view the threat perception to the petitioners.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

June 04, 2021
rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

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