

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-5124-2021

Date of decision: 07.06.2021

Sanjana Verma and another

....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. Vikram Preet Arora, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. H.S. Sitta, Assistant AG, Punjab.

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing on account of restrictions due to outbreak of pandemic COVID-19.

Petitioners-Sanjana Verma and Gurwinder Singh, stated to be aged 19 & 20 years respectively, have jointly filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer for directing respondents No.2 & 3 to protect life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondents No.4 to 7.

Learned counsel for the petitioners, by making reference to the pleadings in the petition, submits that both the petitioners are living with each other with their free and fair consent since 21.05.2021. Learned counsel further submits that the petitioners intend to marry each other, however they would take effective steps at appropriate stage in accordance with law. In this regard, learned counsel places reliance on the judgment dated 09.10.2020 passed by this Court in **CRWP-7911-220** titled as ***Divya vs. State of Punjab and others*** and judgment dated 18.05.2021, passed in **CRWP-4521-2021** titled as ***Pardeep Singh and another vs. State of Haryana and others***.

Learned counsel further submits that in this regard, a detailed representation dated 28.05.2021 (Annexure P-5) was submitted to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, District Patiala (respondent No.2).

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. H.S. Sitta, Assistant AG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

While refraining from making any expression as regards the veracity of the averments made in the petition, the petition is **disposed of** with a direction that in case, the petitioners approach the police authorities concerned, with above representation (Annexure P-5) with regard to their alleged threat perception, the same shall be got examined by the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, District Patiala (respondent No.2) as expeditiously as possible, in accordance with law and necessary steps as may be warranted under the facts and circumstances of the case, be taken thereupon forthwith.

A copy of this order be sent to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, District Patiala (respondent No.2) by the Registry through e-mail or any other mode, so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously .

Needless to say that the aforesaid order shall not be construed to be an expression as regards the validity of the alleged marriage of the petitioners.

Ordered accordingly.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
JUDGE

07.06.2021

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Whether speaking/ reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No