

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(111)

CRWP No. 8487 of 2021

Date of Decision : 09.09.2021

Sonia and another

...Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

(through video conferencing)

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI*

Present: Mr. Vikas Bishnoi Godara, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Sandeep Singh Deol, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

(keeping in view advance copy given)

Harsimran Singh Sethi J. (Oral)

The petitioners are seeking a direction from this Court to respondents No. 1 to 3 to protect their life and liberty as they apprehend danger to their life & liberty from respondents No. 4 to 9 i.e. parents/relatives of petitioner No. 1.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioner No. 1 is major in age and has attained marriageable age but petitioner No. 2 though is major in age but has not yet attained marriageable age. Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that as the petitioner No. 1 was apprehending threat to her life and liberty, she left her house and is now living with petitioner No. 2. Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that the petitioners have already approached respondent No. 2- Senior Superintendent of Police, District Ludhiana raising the said

grievance by filing a representation dated 06.09.2021 (Annexure P-3),

which is still pending consideration with the said authority and the petitioners will be satisfied, in case a time bound direction is issued to respondent No. 2 to decide the same by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3 only.

Mr. Sandeep Singh Deol, learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who has joined the proceedings through video conference, keeping in view the service of advance copy of petition, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No. 1 to 3. Learned State counsel raises no objection in deciding the representation dated 06.09.2021 (Annexure P-3) in a time bound manner.

Without making any observation on the merits of the case, a direction is issued to respondent No. 2 to take appropriate decision on the representation, which the petitioners alleged to have made on 06.09.2021 (Annexure P-3), expressing apprehension about danger to their life and liberty at the hands of respondents No. 4 to 9 within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of the copy of this order. In case any merit is found in the representation, the appropriate action will be taken by respondent No. 2 to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of the private respondents.

The writ petition stands disposed of.

September 09, 2021
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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