

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

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CRWP-9115-2021

Date of Decision : September 22, 2021

AMANDEEP KAUR AND ANOTHER

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present : Mr. Puneet Kakkar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Through Video Conferencing

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI. J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India seeking writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents no.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners.

The learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that the petitioner no.1- girl is of 19 years of age and has already attained marriageable age permissible under law, whereas the petitioner no.2- boy is also of 19 years of age but he has not attained the age of marriage. He submitted that the father of the petitioner no.1-girl is under financial distress and therefore, he has arranged the marriage of petitioner no.1 with some person who is double the age of the petitioner no.1. He submitted that in order to save her life, petitioner no.1 has now started living with petitioner no.2 for the last few days so that she does not get forcibly married to somebody else. He submitted that there is an imminent threat at the hands of the private respondents and a representation was given to the Commissioner of Police, Amritsar on 20.09.2021 and the receipt of the same is annexed with the petition as Annexure P-4. He submitted that the scope of the present petition is

confined only to the extent of protection of life of the petitioners.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3.

Mr. Randhir Singh Thind, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of all the aforesaid respondents and stated that he has no objection in case the representation Annexure P-3 is considered by the police authorities in accordance with law.

I have heard learned counsels for the parties.

The scope of the present petition pertains only to the protection of life of the petitioners and does not in any way pertain to the inter-se relationship between the petitioners. It is, therefore, directed that the respondent No.2 shall consider the representation Annexure P-3 filed by the petitioners and if so required, then to take further steps for the protection of the life of the petitioners in accordance with law.

It is made clear that this order will not become an impediment for taking action against the petitioners if otherwise they are involved in any other case because the scope of the present petition pertains only to the protection of their lives in view of the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners that the father of petitioner no.1 is getting her married with somebody else who is double the age of petitioner no.1.

Disposed of accordingly.

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned.	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable.	:	Yes/No