

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-10909 of 2020
Date of Decision: 13.01.2021

Lovepreet Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present: Mr. Gagandeep Singh Simble, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab

AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (ORAL)

Case heard by video conferencing.

By this petition, the petitioner seeks the issuance of a writ in the nature of habeas corpus for directions to respondents no.1 to 3 to get the detenue, Shivani, released from the illegal custody of respondents no. 4 to 6.

On 24.12.2020, the following order had been passed:-

“(The case has been taken up through video conferencing on account of Covid-19 Pandemic)."

It has been stated that the petitioner had solemnized marriage with Shivani, the alleged detenue. Respondent Nos.4 to 6 are the relatives of the alleged detenue and she is in their illegal custody.

It has also been pointed out that at the earlier instance the alleged detenue and the petitioner filed CRWP-4540-2020 seeking protection to their lives and liberty and the same was dismissed vide order dated 21.07.2020. Furthermore, an FIR bearing No.313 dated 03.07.2020, under Sections 363, 366-A IPC has been registered at

Police Station Islamabad, District Amritsar against the petitioner and he has been released on bail in terms of order dated 11.12.2020.

It has been further stated that respondent Nos. 4 to 6 are contemplating to forcibly solemnize her marriage.

Notice of motion to the official respondents at this stage.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Keeping in view that a criminal case has been lodged, it is appropriate to call for the report of respondent No.2 in the matter.

The report be called for 08.01.2021.”

Today, both learned counsel for the petitioner and the State are *ad idem* that in fact with the girl who was allegedly being illegally detained having been recovered and she having made a statement stating to the effect that she is the wife of the petitioner, and she also having attained the age of majority in the meanwhile, she is now residing with the petitioner.

(Learned State counsel submits that his statement to the above effect may be recorded as per instructions received by him from ASI Nishan Singh).

That being so, this petition has been rendered infructuous and is disposed of as such.

January 13, 2021
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(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes
No