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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-10969-2021

Date of decision: 22.12.2021

GUNGUN AND ANR

...Petitioners

VERSUS

UT CHANDIGARH AND ORS.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA

Present:- Mr.Vishal Mittal, Advocate for
Mr. Digvijay Nagpal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Sumit Jain, Addl. P.P., U.T., Chandigarh.

Mr. Suresh Verma, Advocate
for respondent Nos.4 to 6.

ANOOP CHITKARA, J. (Oral)

Status report by way of an affidavit of the Station House Officer, Police Station, Sector-26, U.T., Chandigarh has been filed by learned counsel for U.T., Chandigarh on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3 in the Court and the same is taken on record.

It is submitted that during investigation, the petitioners were not found in the address, in which they were claiming to be residing. The Investigator also recorded the statement of Kavita Bhardwaj i.e. mother of petitioner No.2 and respondent Nos.4 to 8.

It is further submitted that despite their best efforts, they are unable to trace the petitioners.

In paragraph 5 of the status report it has been mentioned that the parents and relatives of the girl have no objection if she is sent to Nari Niketan as she is a minor. It is further submitted that they do not want to cause any hurt to her in any manner.

It has been further contended by learned counsel for U.T., Chandigarh that an FIR has been registered against petitioner No.2 at the instance of parents of petitioner No.1.

Given above, nothing survives in this petition at this stage and

is disposed of, however, the concerned SHO shall again meet the parents of both the petitioners along with other private respondents and strictly inform them not to cause any kind of threat to the petitioners as and when they are traced.

Learned counsel for respondent Nos.4 to 6 ensures this Court that the petitioners have no risk from them. He further submits that since petitioner No.1 is a minor as such they do not want her to enter into any marriage ceremony nor do they support such marriage.

In case the concerned SHO gets the information about any threat perception, then he shall automatically give security to the petitioners.

Furthermore, it will be open for the petitioners to contact the concerned SP/SO in case of any threat perception and the concerned Official shall provide adequate security/protection in case of threat perception on day to day analysis.

Such security shall continue to remain in force for a week after the petitioners are traced. Subsequent to that it shall also be permissible for the petitioners to approach this Court again.

With the aforesaid observations, the present petition is disposed of.

Interim order, if any, is hereby recalled.

22.12.2021
Chetan Thakur

(ANOOP CHITKARA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No