

Criminal Writ Petition No. 12322 of 2021

Date of decision : December 30, 2021

Bhavika and another

.....Petitioners

Versus**The State of Punjab and others**

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Amit Puri, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

Petitioners seek protection of their life and liberty as they apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No. 4 to 8 and other relatives because they have solemnised marriage on 14.12.2021 against the wishes of said respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners identifies the petitioners on the basis of documents attached. It is contended that the petitioners are major, their dates of birth being 28.11.2000 and 02.04.1999, respectively. Aadhar cards of both the petitioners are appended with the petition as Annexures P1 and P2, respectively. Marriage certificate is on record as Annexure P-3. It is submitted that there is no impediment to the marriage of the petitioners. Petitioners, it is stated, submitted representation dated 23.12.2021 (Annexure P4) to respondent No.2 i.e., the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, for redressal of their grievance but no action has been taken thereon.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Sr. DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. Advance copy of the petition stands served.

Without commenting upon the age of the petitioners or validity of their marriage or validity and genuineness of the certificates/documents appended with the petition, respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala is directed to look into representation dated 23.12.2021 submitted by the petitioners and take appropriate action if any/as may be required, keeping in view the threat perception to the petitioners.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

December 30, 2021
rts

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

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