

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARAYANA AT CHANDIGARH
133 (PROCEEDINGS THROUGH V.C.)**

LPA-56-2022

Date of decision: 25.01.2022

KAVITA RANI AND ANR

..APPELLANTS

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

...RESPONDENTS

***CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI***

**Present: Mr. Virender Singh, Advocate,
for the appellants.**

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J.(ORAL)

Challenge in this appeal is to the order dated 07.01.2022 passed by the learned Single Judge in the writ petition which was preferred by the appellants praying for issuance of a direction to the official respondent No. 2 to protect their life and liberty on the ground that they are facing threats at the hands of private respondents No. 4 and 5.

Highlighting this aspect, they had submitted representation dated 04.01.2022 (Annexure P-5) to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala-respondent No. 2 but no action thereon has been taken.

It has been pointed out by the learned counsel for the appellants that the learned Single Judge had not accepted the prayer of the appellants on the ground that the details with regard to the threat and the mode thereof have not been specified.

Learned counsel for the appellants asserts that the appellants, at

this stage, would be satisfied if a direction is issued to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala-respondent No. 2 to consider the representation of the appellants dated 04.01.2022 (Annexure P-5) and if some substance is found therein, take appropriate action in accordance with law so that the life and liberty of the appellants is not put to jeopardy.

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

On the asking of the Court, Mr. S.P.S.Tinna, Addl. A.G. Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the said respondents.

Without going into the merits of the case or commenting thereon, we dispose of the present appeal by directing the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala-respondent No. 2 to look into the representation dated 04.01.2022 (Annexure P-5) and if some material substance is found therein, appropriate steps, in accordance with law, be taken so that the life and liberty of the appellants is not jeopardized, in any manner, except in accordance with law.

It is, however, clarified that in case there is any criminal case registered against the appellants, this order of ours shall not be construed as an impediment for the law enforcing agency to proceed against the appellants in accordance with law.

**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**

**(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE**

**January 25, 2022
pj**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No