

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.**

CRWP-4843-2022

Date of Decision:-20.05.2022

Manpreet Kaur & Anr.

.....Petitioners.

Vs.

State of Punjab & Ors.

.....Respondents.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present:- Mr. Umesh Aggarwal, Advocate for the Petitioners.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J.(ORAL)

By placing reliance on the judgments of this court in *Elaichi & Anr. Vs. State of Punjab & Ors. LPA No.385 of 2016 Decided on 16.05.2016, Kanwaljeet Kaur & Anr. Vs. State of Punjab & Ors. CWP No.17069 of 2019 Decided on 24.06.2019 and Leena Shelkar & Anr. Vs. State of Punjab & Ors. CRWP No.2031 of 2020 Decided on 25.02.2020* the learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that even though boy was not of marriageable age, this Court had entertained their petitions for protection of their life and liberty and granted the same.

The learned counsel for the petitioners submits that this is the first marriage between the petitioners.

The petitioners have prayed for issuance of necessary directions to the official respondents for protecting their civil/personal rights and liberties from being invaded by the private respondents. The date of birth of

petitioner no.2 is 16.09.2003. Petitioners are alleged to have solemnized marriage on 16.05.2022. They feel reasonable apprehension and a threat perception at the hands of the private respondents and pray that their personal/civil rights be not violated by them.

Precisely, in the context of aforesaid relief, petitioners have approached the Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur-respondent No.2 by way of representation dated 18.05.2022 (Annexure P-5).

Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1 to 3.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3.

At this stage, without expressing any opinion as to the validity of marriage and majority of the petitioners, it would be just and appropriate to direct respondent No.2 to look into the grievance of the petitioners and pass an appropriate order on merits in accordance with law. Respondent No.2 would pass necessary order without being influenced by any pleadings made in the petition.

This order shall not debar the official respondents from proceeding against any of the parties, if they are involved in any other case. It would be appreciated if the needful is done within a period of one month from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

May 20, 2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No