

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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CRWP-8014-2022

Decided on : 24.08.2022

Nisha Kumari through her next friend

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

PRESENT: Mr. Sanjay Khan, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

By way of filing present petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner, who is said to be a minor, is seeking necessary protection of lives and personal liberties for herself and her friend namely Ujjwal Kumar, as they are under the eminent threats at the hands of respondents No.4 to 10.

In the context of threat perception at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 10, the present petitioner along with her friend have allegedly moved representation dated 12.08.2022 (Annexure P-4) to the Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana (respondent No.2), wherein, all the apprehension to their lives has been expressed.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. J.S. Arora, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of State-respondents No.1 to 3 (State).

Since the petitioner has made several allegations against the private respondents *qua* performing her marriage forcefully and discontinuing her further studies as well as locking her in the room without food etc., and seeks only protection *qua* the lives and personal liberties of

herself and her friend with whom she is stated to be residing at present, therefore, it would be appropriate to direct respondent No.2, to have a fair look on the grievance of the petitioner in order to ascertain veracity of allegations made by the petitioners in representation dated 12.08.2022 (P-4).

Respondent No.2 would be at liberty to devise his/her own mechanism to ascertain the truth. He/she would also be at liberty to join the petitioners or any other person acquainted with facts in issue. If the innocence of the petitioners is established, then respondent No.2 shall proceed to take appropriate action in order to protect lives and personal liberties of the petitioners from being invaded by private respondents No.4 to 10.

The aforesaid order is being passed at this stage without meaning anything on the status of the parties and age of the petitioner. Respondent No.2 would pass necessary order without being influenced by any statement of fact recorded hereinabove.

Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

August 24, 2022

J.Ram

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes/No*