

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

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CRWP-10361-2020

Date of Decision: 23 November, 2022

Anupriya and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.S.SHEKHAWAT

Present : None for the petitioners.

Mr. Vipin Pal Yadav, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

N.S.SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)

The petitioners have filed the instant petition before this Court with a prayer to direct the respondents No. 2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners and to restrain the private respondents No. 4 to 6 not to harass and interfere in their peaceful married life. As per the petitioners, both the petitioners were major and they had performed marriage against the wishes of private respondents No. 4 to 6. The petitioners alleged that respondents No. 4 to 6 were threatening them and they had submitted a representation dated 09.12.2020 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No. 2-Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar to provide them security and save their lives.

Notice of motion was issued to respondents No. 1 to 3 only and in compliance of the same, a status report by way of affidavit of Assistant Commissioner of Police Model Town, Jalandhar has been filed on behalf of respondents No. 1 to 3. It has been averred in the status

report that FIR No. 225 dated 19.08.2020 under Sections 363 and 366 IPC was initially registered at Police Station Division No. 7, Jalandhar, on the basis of statement made by Pawan Kumari, respondent No. 5 against Guljinder Singh @ Gurjinder Singh @ Ghugh, petitioner No. 2, wherein, respondent No. 5 had alleged that petitioner No. 2 had abducted minor daughter of respondent No. 5 on the pretext of marriage and, as such, she requested to take legal action against petitioner No. 2. On 20.08.2020, the complainant produced her daughter Anupriya, i.e. petitioner No. 1 before the Investigating Officer and her medical examination was got conducted and her statement under Section 164 Cr.P.C., was got recorded before the Court of learned JMJC Jalandhar. After the initial investigation, Guljinder Singh @ Gurjinder Singh @ Ghugh petitioner No. 2 and Bhupinder Singh were nominated as accused in the said FIR No. 225/20 and Section 4 of the POCSO Act was also added in the said case. After the registration of the FIR, the petitioner No. 2 and Bhupinder Singh could not be arrested despite best efforts and they were declared proclaimed offender vide order dated 19.10.2020 by the Court of learned CJM Jalandhar.

Today, the case has been taken for hearing and in spite of last opportunity, no one has appeared on behalf of the petitioners. Even on the last two dates, no one had put in appearance on behalf of the petitioners and it was made clear that in case no one appears on behalf of the petitioners on the adjourned date, the matter would be heard and decided on merits.

Today, learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Sohan Lal submitted that Guljinder Singh @ Gurjinder Singh @ Ghugh petitioner No. 2 has been arrested on 18.10.2022 and the official respondents shall proceed in the matter as per law.

In view of above, no further orders are required to be passed by this Court and the petition is ordered to be dismissed.

23 November, 2022
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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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