

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP No. 12191 of 2022

Date of Decision: 23rd December, 2022

Reshma Bibi and another

Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. Puneet Pali, Advocate for the petitioners.
Mr. APS Tung, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

This petition is filed seeking directions to respondents No. 2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of private respondents.

As per the pleadings, the petitioners solemnised marriage on 21.12.2022.

The representation was sent to Superintendent of Police through registered post on 21.12.2022 at 2.55 PM and also through e-mail. Without even waiting for the registered post to reach the concerned quarter or giving reasonable time to the police authorities to act upon the representation, the present petition was drafted on 22.12.2022 and filed on the same day.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that parents of the girl are in the process of filing a case against petitioner No.2 for solemnising marriage with a minor.

The grievance raised in the present petition is that representation of the petitioners is not being considered.

There is no occasion for this court to comment upon the validity of marriage or age of the petitioners.

It would not be out of place to mention that aadhar card has

been annexed with the petition as proof of date of birth and it is not a document for proof of date of birth.

From the perusal of the representation, it is forthcoming that no specific incident forming basis for threat apprehension has been mentioned.

No blanket protection can be granted to petitioner No. 2 that parents of the girl cannot avail their remedies as per law.

No case is made out for interference in the writ jurisdiction.

The petition is dismissed.

There is no doubt that in case the petitioners approach the police authorities concerned with a threat apprehension, needful would be done by the authorities expeditiously in accordance with law.

It would be appropriate to mention at the cost of repetition that this order shall not be construed as protection to petitioner No. 2 for case registered against him or filed in the court.

**[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE**

23rd December, 2022
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| 1. Whether speaking/ reasoned | : | Yes / No |
| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes / No |