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2023:PHHC:055673

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-W-371-372-2023 in/and
CRWP-962-2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 20.04.2023

SUKHWINDER KAUR AND ANOTHER ... PETITIONERS

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS ... RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI

Present: Mr. Kamal Narula, Advocate for petitioner No.1.
None for petitioner No.2.
Mr. Hittan Nehra, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

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VIVEK PURI, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed for issuance of directions to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of petitioners as they were apprehending danger to their life and liberty at the instance of respondent Nos. 4 to 7.

2. Precisely, the petitioners had approached the Court by way of CRWP-962-2023 on the allegations that they have attained the age of majority. Petitioner No.1 had joined the company of petitioner No.2 and they are apprehending danger to their life and liberty at the instance of respondent Nos. 4 to 7.

3. In terms of the order dated 03.02.2023, respondent No.2 was directed to look into the matter and in case, there is any threat perception, then act in accordance with law and to provide interim protection if the situation so warrants.

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Mohinder Singh, submits that the statement of petitioner No.1 has been recorded and she has specifically and categorically stated that she is residing with her parental family i.e. Respondent Nos. 4 to 7 and she does not apprehend any danger to her life and liberty. Her statement in this regard was recorded on 07.04.2023. Furthermore, during the course of pendency of the main petition, two separate applications were moved on behalf of petitioner No.1-applicant. In CRM-W-371-2023, she sought to place on record the affidavit to the effect that she is residing with her parents and does not want to pursue the main case. Vide CRM-W-372-2023, petitioner No.1-applicant had sought the withdrawal of the main petition. None has appeared on behalf of petitioner No.2. Moreover, petitioner No.1 had made a specific prayer for withdrawal of the main case, there is an affidavit of petitioner No.1 indicating that she is residing in her parental house. Even the State counsel has verified the threat perception and it has been pointed out that at least petitioner No.1 does not apprehend any danger to her life and liberty.

5. In these circumstances, no further action is called for .

6. Disposed of.

20.04.2023

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**(VIVEK PURI)
JUDGE**

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