

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

2023:PHHC:057311

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CRM-M-20145 of 2023

Date of Decision: 24.04.2023

Meenu Bala

---Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

---Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: Mr. Ravi Dangi, Advocate for
Mr. Subhash Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioner

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

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner, through the instant petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C., is seeking direction to official respondents to conduct fair and impartial investigation in FIR No. 219 dated 18.12.2022, under Sections 363 and 366 IPC, registered at Police Station, Division-2, District Pathankot.

Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that daughter of the petitioner namely Priyanka Devi has solemnized marriage with Rajan-respondent No. 4. Respondents No. 4 and 5 have filed Criminal Writ Petition No. 12128 of 2022 before this Court seeking protection of their lives and liberty. The respondent No. 5 has wrongly disclosed his age 18 years and 10 months. She was minor at the time of solemnizing marriage. The petitioner has filed

representation to higher police officials as well as got lodged FIR, however, police is not taking appropriate action.

Learned State counsel, who on advance notice, is present in Court, submits that police is enquiring into birth certificate of respondent No. 5 and matter is under investigation. He further submits that this Court in CRWP No. 12128 of 2022 has directed SSP, Pathankot to look into representation of the petitioners therein, thus, it would not be just and fair to initiate action against respondents No. 4 and 5 especially when respondent No. 5 i.e. daughter of the petitioner is staying with respondent No. 4. Nevertheless, he submits that police is investigating the matter and would take appropriate action in accordance with law. This Court is sanguine of the fact that investigating officer would fairly conduct investigation and bring the matter to a logical end.

Disposed of.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

24.4.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No