

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

**CRWP No. 6663 of 2023
Date of decision: 07.07.2023**

Shivani

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Hardik Ahluwalia, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, DAG, Punjab, for respondents No. 1 to 4.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed by the petitioner, who is a girl and stated to be 17 years of age, through her maternal aunt seeking a direction to the official respondents to protect her life and liberty, as the private respondents are trying to forcibly marry her against her wishes.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the private respondents, who include her father, step-mother and other relatives are trying to forcibly marry her against her wishes. He has drawn my attention to the representation dated 17.06.2023 (Annexure P-1) sent by the petitioner to the Deputy Superintendent of Police, City Batala (respondent No. 3).

3. Issue notice to respondents No. 1 to 4 only.

4. At the asking of the Court, Mr. Luvinder Sofat, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No. 1 to 4.

5. Heard. The petition is disposed of with a direction to the Senior

Superintendent of Police, Batala (respondent No. 2) to look into the matter and take appropriate action in accordance with law to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioner at the hands of the private respondents.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

07.07.2023
Ramesh

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