

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-543-2024
DECIDED ON:23.02.2024

SHIVAN AND ANOTHER
.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS
.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajiv Verma, DAG Punjab.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

1. The Punjab & Haryana High Court Bar Association has decided to abstain from work today i.e. 23.02.2024.
2. The jurisdiction of this Court has been invoked under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondent no.2 to consider the application dated 10.01.2024 (Annexure P-3) and protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondent No.3.
3. Considering the factual aspects and seriousness of the allegations levelled in the petition, this Court being conscious of the fact that both the petitioners have not been married, but were in a live-in-relationship and, therefore, called upon Senior Superintendent of Police to file a status report, after examining the allegations levelled in the instant petition vide its order dated 20.01.2024. On 24.01.2024, it was transpired that the parents of the petitioner No.2, minor girl have already lodged an FIR No. 005 dated 12.01.2024, under Sections 363, 366-A of

IPC, but the boy was absconding and police official SI Shamsheer Singh, who was present in Court alongwith Mr. Davinder Singh Sandhu, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Ahmadgarh, District Malerkotla on 09.02.2024 showed their helplessness for taking action in the aforesaid FIR with the excuse that they have made certain attempts, but the boy, petitioner No.1 was not available at the address mentioned in the petition.

4. The petitioner No.2, minor girl was got traced, who was interacted by this Court and thereafter the girl agreed to go alongwith her parents, as is recorded in the order dated 19.02.2024. Keeping the petition pending to ensure that action in accordance with law is taken by the official respondents on the FIR No. 005 dated 12.01.2024, under Sections 363, 366-A of IPC, the State sought time assuring the Court that effective steps will be taken to take action as per law in the said FIR.

5. Today SI Shamsheer Singh duly assisted by Mr. Rajiv Verma, DAG Punjab informs the Court that petitioner No.1 namely Shivan has been arrested on 22.02.2024.

6. In the light of above, this petition does not warrant any further inference of this Court, hence the same is disposed off.

7. SI Shamsheer Singh, who is also present in Court today assures the Court that needful shall done in furtherance of investigation in the matter and effective steps will be taken.

23.02.2024
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(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>