

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Crl. Writ Petition No. 970 of 2024
Date of Decision: February 02, 2024

Jashanpreet Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present:- Mr. HPS Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioners

Harpreet Singh Brar, J. (Oral)

1. The instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India has been filed for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus for directing respondents No. 1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondents No. 4 and 5 as they claim themselves to be major and are living together against the wishes of private respondents and in this regard, submitted a representation dated 30.01.2024 (Annexure P-3) to respondent No.2 but no action has been taken so far.
2. A perusal of the pleadings indicate that petitioners No.1 and 2 are in love with each other. Petitioner No. 2 has not attained the marriageable age so they are in live in relationship but the said relationship is not acceptable to parents of petitioner No. 1 and they are threatening the petitioners with dire consequences. The petitioners apprehend danger to their life and liberty from respondents No.4 and 5.
3. Notice of motion to official respondents only.

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4. Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. A.G. Punjab, who is present in Court accepts notice for the official respondents. Counsel for the petitioners is directed to supply a copy of complete paper book to the counsel appearing for the State during the course of the day.

5. Without commenting on the validity of their relationship and entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of this petition with direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-3) within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and grant them protection, if there is any threat to their life and liberty. It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any committed by them.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No