

**In the High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

CRWP-1998-2024 (O&M)
Date of Decision:-13.3.2024

Dilpreet Kaur and another ... Petitioners
Versus
State of Punjab and others ... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Mohammad Imran Khan, Advocate for the petitioners.
Mr. Gauravdeep Singh Dhaliwal, DAG, Punjab.
None for respondents No.4 and 5.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

1. Petitioner No.1 – Dilpreet Kaur aged about 21 years and petitioner No.2 – Bablu aged about 29 years have approached this Court seeking issuance of a direction to official respondents to protect their lives and liberty as they apprehend threat to the same at the hands of private respondents, having married against the wishes of their families.
2. On the last date of hearing, respondents No.4 and 5 were present alongwith their counsel who had requested that they may be permitted meet their daughter i.e. petitioner No.1 – Dilpreet. This Court had directed respondent No.3 – SHO, Police Station City Sunam, District Sangrur to facilitate a meeting between between the petitioners and respondents No.4 and 5.
3. Today, Mr. Gauravdeep Singh Dhaliwal, DAG, Punjab, has informed that a meeting as directed was arranged between the petitioners and respondents No.4 and 5.

4. Today, neither respondents No.4 and 5 are present nor their counsel is present.
5. Without commenting anything as regards the veracity of the averments made in the petition or as regards the validity of alleged marriage or age of the petitioners, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – The Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur to look into the matter and to dispose off the representation dated 26.2.2024 (Annexure P-4) in accordance with law. In case, it is found that there is a genuine threat to the lives and liberty of the petitioners, then necessary steps warranted under law be taken thereupon at the earliest so as to ensure that no harm is caused to the petitioners.
6. A copy of this order alongwith copy of the representation dated 26.2.2024 (Annexure P-4) be sent to respondent No.2 – The Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.
7. It is, however, clarified that the aforesaid order shall not be taken to be any expression as regards the validity of marriage or age of the petitioners and shall not confer any immunity upon the petitioners, in case it is found that they have committed any wrong.

13.3.2024

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**(Gurvinder Singh Gill)
Judge**

Whether speaking /reasoned Yes / No

Whether Reportable Yes / No