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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-17936-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 10.04.2024

Preeti and another

... Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Sahil Parmar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking issuance of direction to respondents No.2 & 3 to conduct a fair and impartial enquiry into the complaints dated 28.03.2024 (Annexure P-4) and 04.04.2024 (Annexure P-5) submitted by petitioner No.1 against respondents No.4 to 8.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners, *inter alia*, contends that on the intervening night of 22/23.03.2024, the petitioners, who are husband and wife, were arguing and respondents No.4 to 7 started abusing petitioner No.1. When she asked the reason for interference, respondents No.4 to 7 forcibly opened gate of house of the petitioners and gave beatings to petitioner No.1 and tore her clothes and outraged her modesty by manhandling her. Thereafter,

petitioner No.2 called the police at 112 and police officials from Police Station Balongi came on the spot and told the parties to come present in the police station in the morning. The police officials maltreated the petitioners. Due to the injuries sustained by petitioner No.1, she was admitted in Civil Hospital, Kharar on 23.03.2024. On 25.03.2024, when petitioner No.2 was going to hospital to give food to petitioner No.1 in the hospital on the motorcycle bearing registration No.CH-01-CB-1878 make Hero Splendor, respondents No.4, 6 & 8 snatched the same from him and gave beatings to him. He was also admitted in Civil Hospital, Kharar and both the petitioners were discharged on 01.04.2024. When no action was taken by the police officials of Police Station Balongi, petitioner No.1 approached the Senior Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar (Mohali), by submitting the written complaint dated 28.03.2024 (Annexure P-4). Thereafter, respondents No.4 to 8 threatened the petitioners of dire consequences, as they have links with the higher police officials and politicians. After waiting for about 07 days, when no action was taken on the complaint dated 28.03.2024 (Annexure P-4), the petitioners approached the Director General of Police, Punjab by submitting the complaint dated 04.04.2024 (Annexure P-5), but till date, both the complaints have not been decided.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that the petitioners would be satisfied, in case a direction is issued to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the complaints dated 28.03.2024 (Annexure P-4) and 04.04.2024 (Annexure P-5) submitted by them in a time bound manner.

4. Notice of motion to the official respondents only.
5. On asking of the Court, Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3-State. Learned counsel for the petitioners is directed to supply copy of complete paperbook to learned State counsel during the course of the day.
6. Keeping in view the prayer made by the petitioners and without commenting anything on the merits of the case, present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the complaints dated 28.03.2024 (Annexure P-4) and 04.04.2024 (Annexure P-5) submitted by the petitioners within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law.

[HARPREET SINGH BRAR]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No