



[115] IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-6236-2025 Date of Decision :12.06.2025

Kamalpreet Kaur and another

...Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ROHIT KAPOOR

Present: Mr. Rakesh Kumar Chauhan, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Ishan Kaushal, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Praveen Bhadu, Asstt. AG, Haryana.

Mr. Abhinav Sood, Advocate for the UT, Chandigarh.

ROHIT KAPOOR, J. (ORAL)

- The prayer in the instant criminal writ petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the official respondents to protect the lives and personal liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondent Nos.4 & 5 and other relatives by way of providing adequate protection/security in the interest of justice.
- [2] Learned counsel for the petitioners *inter alia* contends that both the petitioners who are adults have got married on 09.06.2025 and due to the threat being faced from respondent Nos.4 & 5, they have moved a representation dated 09.06.2025 (Annexure P-5) to the Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana, Punjab, on the said date itself.
- [3] It has come to the notice of this Court that the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) notified by the Government of Punjab, Haryana and the Union Territory of Chandiarh in pursuance to the

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compliance of the orders dated 14.06.2024 in CRWP No.12562 of 2023 in the case titled as 'Kajal versus State of Haryana and others' have not been widely circulated and due to the ignorance of the same, this Court is flooded with litigation, without first waiting for the representations to be decided by the concerned authorities within the time periods stipulated under the said SOPs and without availing the alternate remedy of filing appeals against any order as provided under the said SOPs.

- [4] It has also come to the notice of this Court that the authorities appointed under the said SOPs are either ignorant about the same or are lax in following the time frames and the guidelines in strict letter and spirit.
- [5] Learned counsel representing the States of Haryana, Punjab and Union Territory of Chandigarh, who are present in Court, are apprised about the said SOPs and undertake that the same would be widely published for the information of the general public and at the relevant Forums and compliance thereof shall be strictly ensured.
- [6] Let a copy of these SOPs be also sent for circulation amongst the Members of the Bar.
- [7] The instant petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to forward the representation dated 09.06.2025 (Annexure P-5) to the concerned authority and to ensure that the same is decided in accordance with the SOPs notified on 23.01.2025.

(ROHIT KAPOOR) JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: :
Whether reportable:

Yes/No Yes/No