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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

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Date of Decision: 18.05.2015

Sunny Arora and another

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PARAMJEET SINGH

- 1) Whether Reporters of the local papers may be allowed to see the judgment ?.
- 2) To be referred to the Reporters or not ?.
- 3) Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest ?

Present: Mr. Durga Dutt Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Paramjeet Singh, J. (Oral)

Instant petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure has been filed seeking protection of life and liberty of the petitioners from respondent Nos.5 to 8. The petitioners assert that they are major and as there is no legal impediment, they have got married. They have already moved application dated 20.04.2015 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur, for protecting their life and liberty.

Vide order dated 23.04.2015, notice of motion was issued

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and petitioner No.1 was directed to deposit a sum of ₹2 lacs in the form of FDR for three years in the name of petitioner No.2.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that to show his bona fide, petitioner No.1 has deposited the amount of ₹2 lacs in the form of FDR in favour of petitioner No.2 for three years. Photocopy of the receipt has been filed in Court today which is taken on record.

Registry has reported that notices could not be issued to the respondents for want of process fee. Earlier also, the position was same. The petitioners have not taken any step for effecting service upon the respondents. The basic purpose of issuing notice specifically in cases of run away couples is to make aware the parents of the girl about her will to stay with the person of her choice and her whereabouts. It appears that the petitioners have intentionally not filed the process fee. This is a clear wastage of time of the court and misuse of the process of the court. It must be kept in mind that every time when a case is called and adjourned, precious time of the Court is wasted, which could be utilized by the Court for hearing other cases. When the courts are so heavily burdened, wastage of even few minutes on unnecessary adjournments matters a lot.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners wants to withdraw the instant petition.

Dismissed as withdrawn.

However, petitioner No.1 is burdened with costs quantified as

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₹10,000/- for wasting the time of this Court. The costs shall be deposited with the District Legal Services Authority, Sangrur within two months from today failing which the District Legal Services Authority, Sangrur will recover the amount from petitioner No.1 as arrears of land revenue.

18.05.2015
parveen kumar

(Paramjeet Singh)
Judge