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

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Date of decision: 23.04.2015

Shikha Nanda and another

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

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. Amandeep Chhabra, 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 respondents No.4 to 6. 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, Sri Muktsar Sahib for protecting their life and liberty.

Disposed of with liberty to the petitioners to approach concerned police authorities for protection as per instructions dated 10.08.2010 issued by the Home Department, Punjab, in this regard. Police authorities shall verify the facts. If required, petitioners will be provided adequate security.

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In the meantime, petitioners shall not be arrested in this case. However, this will not prevent the concerned police authorities to proceed against the petitioners in accordance with law, if they are found involved in any other case.

It is made clear that this order is qua protection only and shall not be construed that the petitioners have contracted legal marriage. They have to prove legality of their marriage in appropriate proceedings.

(Paramjeet Singh)
Judge

April 23, 2015
R.S.