

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-22678 of 2015
Date of Decision:-15.7.2015**

Rekha Rani and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

1. *Whether reporters of local newspapers may be allowed to see judgment?*
2. *To be referred to reporters or not?*
3. *Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?*

Present:- Ms. M.N. Jajoria, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for issuance of directions to respondents No.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 to 6.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners being major have solemnized their marriage in accordance with law. However, respondents No.4 to 6 are not accepting their marriage and are adamant to separate them from each other by resorting to illegal means. Learned counsel further submits that in view of imminent danger to the life and liberty of the petitioners, they have moved a representation dated 10.7.2015 (Annexure P-5) to the Senior

Superintendent of Police, Bathinda-respondent No.2.

On asking of the Court Mr. Gurinderjit Singh, DAG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of State.

Keeping in view the seriousness of the matter but without going into the validity of the marriage, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to take appropriate action, as warranted by law, on the representation dated 10.7.2015 (Annexure P-5) submitted by the petitioners.

In the meantime, necessary order be passed to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 to 6.

July 15, 2015
Vijay Asija

(*HARI PAL VERMA*)
JUDGE