

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

CRL. MISC. No.M-24179 OF 2015
DATE OF DECISION : 13th JULY, 2015

Upasna & another

.... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab & others

.... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURINDER GUPTA

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Present : Mr. A.S.Khosa, Advocate for the petitioners.

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SURINDER GUPTA, J. (ORAL)

This petition is for seeking protection of life and liberty of petitioners, who alleged to have married against the wishes of private respondents, parents of petitioner No.1.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has limited his prayer for taking appropriate action in accordance with law on the representation dated 21.07.2015 (Annexure P-5) made by the petitioners. It has been stated that both the petitioners are major. The year of birth of petitioner No.1-Upasna is 1994 as per copy of entry in the Aadhar Card (Annexure P-1) and that of petitioner No.2-Harpreet Singh is 1988 as per copy of entry in the Aadhar Card (Annexure P-2). They got married on 20.05.2015. Photographs of marriage are Annexure P-4.

As the marriage was against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 6, they are posing threat to the life and liberty of the petitioners. The

petitioners vide representation Annexure P-5 made to the Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar has sought protection to their life and liberty.

As per the address given in the memo of parties the petitioners are residents of Nawanshahar, Punjab but learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioners do not have any threat while living in Nawanshahar, as such, he prays that the protection may be granted by the Police of District Jalandhar when the petitioners move there.

In view of the limited prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioners and without expressing any opinion on the validity of marriage of petitioners, this petition is disposed of with direction to Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar to look into the representation dated 21.07.2015 (Annexure P-5) and take appropriate action in accordance with law, on receipt of certified copy of this order along with copy of the representation.

However, it is made clear that this order will have no effect on the validity of alleged marriage of the petitioners or on any other civil or criminal proceedings instituted against them.

24th July, 2015
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(SURINDER GUPTA)
JUDGE