

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

CRM No.M-24275 of 2015 (O&M)

Date of decision:- July 27, 2015

Prabhjot Kaur and another

.....Petitioners...

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents...

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present:- Both the petitioners in person along with
Mr. Parambir Singh, Advocate.

JASPAL SINGH, J.

CRM-23263-2015

Application is allowed, as prayed for.

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This is a petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the lives and liberty of petitioners from the hands of respondents No. 4 to 6 as they have solemnized marriage against the wishes and consent of respondents No.4 to 6.

Notice to respondents No.1 to 3 only, at this stage.

On the asking of Court, Mr. Ankur Jain, AAG, Punjab, who is present in Court, has accepted notice on behalf of respondents-State. Copy of the petition be supplied to learned State

counsel, during the course of the day.

Ms. Prabhjot Kaur, Advocate has put in appearance and filed power of attorney on behalf of respondents No.4 to 6, which is taken on record.

Learned counsel for respondents No. 4 to 6 has submitted that earlier private respondents were not agreeing with the solemnization of marriage of petitioners *inter se* but now, they have no objection and have also fully consented the act of petitioners.

Though, it appears that there is no threat or apprehension to the lives and liberty of petitioners, at the hands of private respondents, yet, this Court is of the considered view that grant of protection to petitioners would be necessary as they have admittedly solemnized their marriage against the will and consent of respondents No. 4 to 6.

Accordingly, present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana to look into the grievances of the petitioners unfolded by them in their representation dated July 23, 2015 (Annexure P-5) and if found necessary, take appropriate measures in accordance with law.

However, this order shall not be construed as a measure to treat the marriage of the petitioners valid or legal.

(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

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