

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-32203 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 19.09.2015**

Urmila & another

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

Union Territory, Chandigarh & others

...Respondent(s)

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:- Mr. J.K. Khetarpal, Advocate
for the petitioner (s).

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 CrPC is for issuance of directions to respondents no.2 and 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 petitioner No.1-wife is above 21 years of age whereas petitioner no.2-husband is about 20 years of age and is major as per Section 3 of the Majority Act, 1875. They 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 representation dated 17.9.2015 (Annexure P4) to respondents no.2-SSP, Chandigarh.

Notice of motion to respondents no.1 to 3 at this stage.

At the asking of the Court, Ms. Ashima Mor, APP, UT, Chandigarh accepts notice on behalf of these respondents.

Let requisite number of copies of paper book be given to learned UT counsel during the course of the day.

Without commenting upon the validity of the marriage but keeping in view the seriousness of the matter, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondents no.2 – SSP, Chandigarh to take appropriate action on the representation dated 17.9.2015 (Annexure P4) submitted by the petitioners, as warranted by law.

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.

September 19, 2015
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(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE