

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

CRM-M No.40318 of 2015 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 30.11.2015

Sheenam and another

..... Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Ajay Singla, Advocate along with the petitioners.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab
for respondent Nos.1 and 2.

Mrs. Anju Arora, Advocate for respondent Nos.3 and 4.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Petitioners, claiming to be major in age, have solemnized their marriage on 26.11.2015 against the wishes of the parents of the girl. It is stated to be an inter caste marriage. Therefore, apprehending threat to their life and liberty at the hands of the family of the girl/petitioner No. 1, they have invoked the jurisdiction of this Court under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for issuance of directions to the police authorities to grant them protection.

At the time of hearing, Mrs. Anju Arora, Advocate has filed power of attorney on behalf of the parents (respondent Nos.3 and 4) of the girl. She submits that the boy (petitioner No.2-Pritpal Singh) does not have good antecedents and, therefore, prays for one opportunity to the parents to interact with the girl (petitioner No.1-Sheenam).

Due opportunity was afforded. The girl-Sheenam (petitioner No.1) has still categorically stood her ground for residing with her husband-Pritpal Singh

(petitioner No.2).

Faced with the aforesaid circumstances, the parents of the girl through their Counsel submit that they will not interfere with the domestic married life of the petitioners.

The present petition accordingly is disposed of, however, if the petitioners still feel that their life and liberty is threatened, they are free to approach the Commissioner of Police concerned, within whose jurisdiction they are stated to be residing for redressal of their grievance.

In such eventuality, the Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar shall look into their representation to verify the facts and take appropriate steps in accordance with law.

November 30, 2015
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(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE