

Crl. Misc. No. M-8242 of 2015

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

CRM-M-8242-2015

DATE OF DECISION:26.03.2015

Ridhima Bhalla and another

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PARAMJEET SINGH

- 1) Whether Reporters of the local papers may be allowed to see the judgment?**
- 2) To be referred to the Reporters or not?**
- 3) Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?**

Present: - Mr. Shashikant Gupta, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. K.S. Sidhu, DAG, Punjab.

Paramjeet Singh, J. (Oral)

This is a petition seeking protection of life and liberty of the petitioners from respondents No.4 and 5.

On 13.03.2015, following order was passed by this Court:

“Instant petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure has been filed seeking protection of life and liberty of the petitioners from respondents No.4 and 5. The petitioners assert that they are major and as there is no legal impediment, they have got married. They have already moved application dated 09.03.2015

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(Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2 – Commissioner of Police, Amritsar for protecting their life and liberty.

Learned counsel for the petitioners, after seeking instructions from petitioner No.2 states that in order to show his bonafide, petitioner No.2 will deposit ₹ 1,00,000/- in the form of FDR for two years in favour of petitioner No.1. Initially, petitioner No.2 will deposit a sum of ₹ 50,000/- in the form of FDR for two years in favour of petitioner No.1 within one week and thereafter ₹ 50,000/- within one month in the form of FDR. An affidavit of petitioner No.2 with regard to deposit of aforesaid amount has been filed in Court which is taken on record. Both the FDRs will be for two years and will not be encashed prematurely.

Notice of motion for 20.03.2015.

If the process fee is not deposited by the counsel for the petitioners, the Registry shall issue notice to the respondents at its own.

Respondent No.3 – Station House Officer, Police Station Majitha, District Amritsar, is directed to effect service upon private respondents No.4 and 5. However, the SHO will ensure that no inconvenience and embarrassment is caused to them and for that purpose, official going for service may preferably be in civil uniform.

In the meantime, petitioners shall not be arrested in this case. However, this will not prevent the concerned police authorities to proceed against the petitioners in accordance with law, if they are found involved in any other case.

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It is made clear that this order is qua protection only and shall not be construed that the petitioners have contracted legal marriage. They have to prove legality of their marriage in appropriate proceedings.

The petitioners will also be at liberty to approach respondent No.2 – Commissioner of Police, Amritsar, for protection as per instructions issued by the Home Department, Punjab in this regard. If required, petitioners will be provided adequate security.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that in compliance of order dated 13.03.2015, petitioner No.2 has deposited the amount of Rs.50,000/- in a fixed deposit for two years in favour of petitioner No.1 within one week. Photocopy of receipt filed in Court today, is taken on record.

Keeping in view the above, the order dated 13.03.2015 is made absolute. The petitioner No.2 shall comply with the remaining part of the order and send a copy of the FDR to Court.

Disposed of.

March 26, 2015
prince

(Paramjeet Singh)
Judge