

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

CRM-M-No. 22717 of 2016

Date of decision-23.08.2016

Reshma Kumari and another

...Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Imtiaz Ali, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Jagdish Rai, Advocate and Mr Neeraj Verma, Advocate
for respondent Nos.4 and 5.

JITENDRA CHAUHAN, J. (Oral)

This petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure has been filed for issuance of directions to the official respondent Nos.2 and 3 for protecting the life and liberty of petitioners.

Reply on behalf of respondent No.4 has been filed in the Court and the same is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioners refers to Annexure P-1 and contends that the petitioner No.1 is major and has solemnized marriage with petitioner No.2. However, on behalf of respondents, it is asserted that the petitioner No.1 is minor. In support of their assertions, reliance has been placed on the matriculation certificate.

The Court is not inclined to go into the spectacular aspect of the matter. However, both the petitioners are present in the Court. They stated that they have solemnized marriage and residing at their matrimonial home.

Without expressing any opinion with regard to validity of marriage and assertions made in the petition, the instant petition is disposed of with the direction to respondent No.3-Superintendent of Police, Ludhiana, to look into the matter and provide necessary protection to the petitioners, if he is satisfied that the life and liberty of the petitioners is threatened at the hands of respondent Nos.4 and 5 in accordance with law.

Disposed of.

(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

August 23, 2016
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Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No