

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

(114)

CRM-M-29315-2016

Decided on: August 23, 2016.

Nisha Sharma @ Nisha Bali and another

.... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.S. BEDI

Present: Mr. Avtar S. Khinda, Advocate, for the petitioners.

M.M.S. BEDI, J (ORAL)

Petitioners claim that they have attained majority and have married against the wishes of their family members. Apprehending threat to their life and liberty on account of inter caste marriage, they have approached this Court for protection.

The petitioners appear to have filed a representation to Senior Superintendent of Police, Kapurthala, copy of which has been appended as Annexure P-5.

Notice to Advocate General, Punjab.

On asking of the Court, Ms. Harpreet Kaur Athwal, DAG, Punjab, present in the Court, accepts notice. Copy given.

After considering the facts and circumstances of the case, I am of the opinion that the matter is covered by the judgment of this Court in

Pradeep Kumar Vs. State of Haryana, 2008 (3) RCR (Criminal) 376.

This petition is disposed of with a direction that the petitioners will not be forcibly taken in custody by any of the respondents on the allegations that petitioner No.1 has been kidnapped or abducted by petitioner No.2. It is further ordered that in case of any imminent threat to the life and liberty of the petitioners, it will be open to them to approach the Senior Superintendent of Police, Kapurthala for appropriate protection.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

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