

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

**Crl. Misc. No.M-31807 of 2016
Date of decision : 08.09.2016**

Arti @ Arti Verma & Anr.

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab & Ors.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANITA CHAUDHRY

Present: Both the petitioners-in-person with
Mr. Prabhjot Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

ANITA CHAUDHRY, J(ORAL)

Arti and Damen Singh, the petitioners before me, claim themselves to be major. They have pleaded that they have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 8 and seek protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 8. They have placed on record marriage certificate and photographs, Annexures P-3 and P-4 respectively evidencing their marriage. Both the petitioners are present. Petitioner No.1 is specifically stated that she has married with petitioner No.2 on her own will and without any pressure. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 06.09.2016, Annexure P-5 to respondent No.2.

Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the petition with

directions to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners, Annexure P-5 within a period of one month and grant them protection, if any threat to their life and liberty is perceived. Its is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law if any committed by them.

(ANITA CHAUDHRY)
JUDGE

September 08, 2016
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes

Whether reportable : No