

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

(132)

CRM-M-39000-2016

Decided on: October 27, 2016.

Manju Bala and another

.... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

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

Present: Ms. Harpinder Kaur Sandhu, Advocate, for the petitioners.

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

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

Petitioners have also filed a representation to Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka, copy of which has been appended as Annexure P-7.

Notice to the Advocate General, Punjab.

On asking of the Court, Ms. Simsi Dhir Malhotra, DAG, Punjab, present in the Court, accepts notice. Copy given.

The matter is covered by the judgment of this Court in **Pradeep Kumar Vs. State of Haryana, 2008 (3) R.C.R (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, unless until any such statement is made by petitioner No.1.

In case of any imminent threat to the life and liberty of the petitioners, they may approach the Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka. It is directed that in said eventuality, it will be ensured that life and liberty of the petitioners is protected as mentioned hereinabove.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

October 27, 2016
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No