

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

CRM No.M-9612 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of decision: March 17, 2016

Hardeep Kaur and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. S.S.Sarwara, Advocate for the petitioners.

INDERJIT SINGH, J.

Petitioners have filed this petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to protect their life and liberty and to provide adequate security to protect them from respondents No.4 to 6, who are father and brothers of petitioner No.1. The petitioners, who are present in Court today, further contend that they have solemnized marriage with their own consent in accordance with law. The private respondents are not accepting the marriage of the petitioners and are extending threats to them. A photocopy of affidavit of petitioner No.1 regarding age proof (Annexure P-1) (original filed today in Court and has been taken on record), copy of educational certificate of petitioner No.2 (Annexure P-2), copy of marriage certificate (Annexure P-3) and marriage photographs (Annexure P-4) have been placed on record. Though, in the affidavit (Annexure P-1), it has been averred that copy of educational certificate i.e. M.A. Part-I, is attached, but no such document has been attached with the petition.

Without going into the validity of the marriage and without saying anything regarding the age of the petitioners, the present petition is

considered only for the purpose of protection of life and liberty of the petitioners. This petition is disposed of accordingly with the directions to the petitioners to contact respondents No.2 and 3, who, after their satisfaction that the petitioners are actually facing threat, shall take necessary steps to protect the lives and liberty of the petitioners from private respondents No.4 to 6, as per law.

However, it is made clear that this order, in no way, will affect any other proceedings pending or to be filed against the petitioners etc., which are to be dealt with independently as per law.

March 17, 2016

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(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE