

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

CRM No.M- 9879 of 2016
Date of Decision: March 18, 2016

Sandeep Kaur and another Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab and others Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH

Present: Petitioners are in person with their counsel Ms. Poonam Tara Prasher.

Respondent No.6-Gurmit Singh present in person along with his counsel Mr. Deepak Aggarwal.

1. Whether Reporters of Local Newspapers may be allowed to see the judgment?
2. To be referred to the Reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?

Kuldip Singh J.(Oral)

Petitioners, who are stated to be major, claim that they have married against the wishes of their parents on 15.03.2016. The photographs of the marriage have been placed on file as Annexure-P-6. The true typed copy of birth certificate of petitioner No.1 and true typed copy of aadhar card of petitioner No.2, showing their date of birth have been placed on file as Annexures-P-1 and P-2 respectively. The marriage certificate has been placed on file as Annexue P-5.

It is claimed that the petitioners have moved an application dated 15.03.2016 (Annexure-P-7) before the Commissioner of Police, Amritsar, for protecting their life and liberty as they apprehend danger to their life from the private respondents.

Respondent No.6-Gurmit Singh, who has appeared on his own along with his counsel and states that he should be allowed to talk to his sister i.e. petitioner No.1 Sandeep Kaur.

Learned counsel for respondent No.6 states that two cases under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (in short 'the NDPS Act') are pending against petitioner No.2.

On the other hand, learned counsel for the petitioners states that there was only one case under the NDPS Act against petitioner No.2, in which he has been acquitted.

At the request of respondent No.6, he was allowed to talk to his sister-petitioner No.1 for 15 minutes in the Court. The case was again taken up. The petitioners claim that they still apprehend danger to their life and liberty and seek protection to their life and liberty.

In these circumstances, petition is disposed of with a direction to the Commissioner of Police, Amritsar, to consider the application of the petitioners dated 15.03.2016 (Annexure-P-7) and assess the threat perception to the life and liberty of the petitioners and if it is found that there is danger to the life of the petitioners, necessary steps be taken to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners.

However, it is made clear that this order shall not be taken to be the proof of valid marriage.

Disposed of accordingly.

March 18, 2016
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(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE