

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

CRM-M-1225-2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 13.07.2017

SHEENU AND ANOTHER

... Petitioners

VS.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH.**

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. C.L. Pawar, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

KULDIP SINGH, J (ORAL)

The petitioners in the present petition are claiming that they are major and have performed marriage against the wishes of their parents. This Court vide order dated 17.01.2017 had granted protection to them. In the meanwhile, notice was issued to the respondents.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Mohan Singh, has stated that the petitioners are not residing at the given address. It is further informed that a case of abduction of petitioner No. 1 has been registered against the petitioner No. 2 at Police Station, Haroli, District Una, Himachal Pradesh. In any case, the aforesaid case against the petitioner No. 2 is to be investigated separately to find out the truth. However, this is no ground to deny the protection to the petitioners. When the petitioners are on the run, they are not expected to be at their given address.

In view of the matter, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners in accordance with law. This order shall not be taken as a proof of marriage between petitioners nor will adversely effect the case against the

petitioner No. 2 registered at Police Station Haroli, District Una, Himachal Pradesh. Though, the Police will be at liberty to take into consideration the facts stated in the present petition alongwith accompanying documents.

July 13, 2017
Suresh Kumar

(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking / reasoned</i>	:	✓ Yes / No
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	:	Yes / ✓ No