

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

**Crl. Misc. No.M-2299 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of decision : January 24, 2017**

Mandeep Kaur and another

... Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURINDER GUPTA

Present: Petitioners in person with
Mr.R.S.Duggal, Advocate.

SURINDER GUPTA, J.(Oral)

This petition is for seeking protection of life and liberty of petitioners, who alleged to have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 10 parents and relatives of petitioner No.1.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has limited his prayer for taking appropriate action in accordance with law on the representation dated 22.1.2017 (Annexure P-5) made by the petitioners. It has been stated that both the petitioners are major. The date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 3.7.1997 as per copy of Matric certificate (Annexure P-1) and that of petitioner No.2 is 13.4.1993 as per copy of Matric Certificate (Annexure P-2). They got married on 22.1.2017 Photographs of marriage are Annexure P-3 & P-4.

When the petition was taken up, the parents and other family members of petitioner No.1 were present and petitioner was sent to the Mediation & Conciliation Centre of this Court with a view to provide the parties an opportunity to sit together and resolve their differences.

I have been told that in the Mediation & Conciliation Centre of this Court, respondents No.4 and 5 and other private respondents have not participated.

In view of the prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, but without expressing any opinion on the validity of marriage of petitioners, petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Gurdaspur to look into the representation dated 22.1.2017 (Annexure P-5) and take appropriate action in accordance with law, on receipt of copy of this order along with representation in his office.

Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that the petitioners have threat to their life and liberty while going to the bus stand to take bus for their destination to Batala and as such, necessary security be provided to them. The Incharge Security of this Court is called and is directed to provide them required security upto the bus stand so that they could take the bus. In case, the petitioners still have some other apprehension, further action in this regard be taken by the Incharge Security of this Court.

However, it is made clear that this order will have no effect on the validity of alleged marriage of the petitioners or on any other civil or criminal proceedings instituted against them.

A copy of this order be conveyed to the Incharge Security of this Court.

January 24, 2017.
Paritosh Kumar

(SURINDER GUPTA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No