

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-24558 of 2017
Date of Decision:-12.07.2017**

Geena Rani and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

Present:- Mr. Gaurav Chadda, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 to 7.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners being major have solemnized their marriage in accordance with law. However, respondents No.4 to 7 are not accepting their marriage and are adamant to separate them from each other by resorting to illegal means. Learned counsel further submits that in view of imminent danger to the life and liberty of the petitioners, they have moved a representation dated 10.7.2017 (Annexure P-4) to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Bhatinda-respondent No.2.

Notice of motion to respondents No. 1 to 3 only at this stage.

On asking of the Court Mr. Bhupender Beniwal, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of State. Let requisite number of copies of paper book be supplied to learned State counsel during the course of the day.

Keeping in view the seriousness of the matter but without going into the validity of the marriage, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to take appropriate action, as warranted by law, on the representation dated 10.7.2017 (Annexure P-4) submitted by the petitioners.

In the meantime, necessary order be passed to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 to 7.

July 12, 2017
Vijay Asija

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No