

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

**CRM-M No. 29208 of 2017
Date of Decision: 21.8.2017**

Lovepreet Kaur and another **.....Petitioners**

v.

State of Punjab and others **.....Respondents**

CORAM HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DR. SHEKHER DHAWAN

Present:- Mr. Kapil Khanna, Advocate, for the petitioners
Mr. Rahul Rathore, DAG, Punjab

SHEKHER DHAWAN, J.

Both the petitioners are present in the Court and are identified by their counsel.

The petitioners have sought protection of their lives and liberty, inter alia, taking the plea that they performed the marriage with each other, whereas, the private respondents are not accepting their marriage and now they are apprehending danger to their lives and liberty from the private respondents. Learned counsel for the petitioners contended that the petitioners performed marriage on 7.8.2017 at Prachin Shiv Mandir, Panchkula.

The petitioners have also taken the plea that they are major and have performed their marriage with free will.

Having considered the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioners and perusal of record, the Senior Superintendent of Police, SBS Nagar is directed to consider the representation dated 7.8.2017

(Annexure P-4) and issue necessary orders, as warranted by law, so as to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of the private respondents.

However, it is also made clear that this order shall not be taken to validate the alleged marriage of the petitioners or entitle them for any protection against their arrest or continuance of any criminal proceedings, if they are found involved in the commission of any cognizable offence. In case, the petitioners had committed any offence, the law will take its own course.

With the aforesaid observations made and directions issued, the present petition stands disposed of.

(SHEKHER DHAWAN)
JUDGE

21.8.2017
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Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Reportable	Yes/No