

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-42071-2017**

**Date of Decision: 07.11.2017**

**Ritu Kumari and another**

**.. Petitioners**

**Vs.**

**State of Punjab and others**

**..Respondents**

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

Present: Mr. Naveen Bawa, Advocate for the petitioners.

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**Inderjit Singh, J.**

Petitioners have filed this petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for issuance of directions to respondents No.1 to 3 to protect their life and liberty and to provide adequate security to protect them from respondent Nos.4 to 7, who are parents and cousin brothers of petitioner No.1. The petitioners, who are present in Court today, further contend that they being major have solemnized marriage with their own consent in accordance with law. The private respondents are not accepting the marriage of the petitioners and are extending threats to them. Copies of Aadhaar Cards (Annexures P-1 and P-2) and marriage photographs (Annexure P-3) of the petitioners have been placed on record.

Without going into the validity of the marriage, the present petition is disposed of with the directions to the petitioners to contact respondent Nos.2 and 3 who, after their satisfaction that the petitioners are actually facing threat, shall take necessary steps to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from private respondent Nos.4 to 7, as per law.

However, it is made clear that this order, in no way, will affect any other proceedings pending or to be filed against the petitioners etc., which are to be dealt with independently as per law.

07.11.2017  
*Jasmine Kaur*

(INDERJIT SINGH)  
JUDGE

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| Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes |
| Whether reportable        | No  |