

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

**CRM-M-43792-2017
Date of decision : 17.11.2017**

Shivani Chhabra & another

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE H.S. MADAAN

Present : Petitioner with Mr. M.S. Yadav, Advocate.

H.S. MADAAN, J. (Oral)

It is submitted that petitioner No.1 – Shivani Chhabra aged about 18 years has got married with petitioner No.2 – Kamal Sood aged about 32 years against wishes of family members of petitioner No.1 – Shivani Chhabra arrayed as respondents No.4 to 8 who are threatening to interfere in their marital life.

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. A complete set of the petition has been supplied to the State counsel.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar Advocate puts in appearance on behalf of respondent Nos.4 and 5 by filing his power of attorney, which is taken on record. He further submits that his presence be also marked for respondents No.6 to 8 also.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Advocate states that petitioner No.2 – Kamal Sood was married earlier and this is his second marriage, whereas

petitioner No.2 - Kamal Sood strongly denied this fact.

Respondents No.4 and 5 stated that they have neither interfered in the martial life of the petitioners nor would they do so.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioners still apprehend threats at the hands of private respondents.

Under these circumstances, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – SSP (Sangrur) to look into the representation (**Annexure P-5**) submitted by the petitioners and to take necessary steps to ensure that lives and liberty of the petitioners are not jeopardized at the hands of respondents No.4 to 8 or persons claiming under them. However, this direction will not validate the marriage said to have taken place between the petitioners and will have no effect on any civil or criminal action which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

17.11.2017

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**(H.S. MADAAN)
JUDGE**

1. Whether reportable? **No**
2. Whether speaking / reasoned? **Yes**