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

CRM-M No.13964 of 2018
Date of Decision: 04.04.2018

Vijay Kumar and another

....Petitioners

Vs

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH*

Present: Petitioners in person along with
Mr. Pankaj Garg, Advocate.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J.(Oral)

In this petition, petitioners have prayed for issuance of necessary directions to the official respondents to protect their lives and personal liberties from being invaded by the private respondents. Petitioners claimed that they are adults being 28 years and 25 years of age. Both of them have decided to perform marriage with each other but due to their belongingness to different communities, their family members are against such proposed marriage. Finding no alternative, they had to leave their respective houses. As on date, there is no marriage between the petitioners.

In the context of threat perception at the hands of private respondents, petitioners have prayed for necessary

directions for safeguarding their personal civil and legal rights.

In the aforesaid context, petitioners have allegedly moved representation dated 03.04.2018 (Annexure P-5) to Senior Superintendent of Police, Punjab Police Office, District Faridkot, Punjab and representation dated 03.04.2018 (Annexure P-6) to Senior Superintendent of Police, Punjab Police Office, District Sri Muktsar Sahib, Punjab.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 5.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Hittan Nehra, Addl. A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of State-respondents No.1 to 5.

At this juncture, this Court is not in a position to comment upon the validity of marriage and majority of the petitioners in terms of their respective ages, however, respondents No.2 and 3 can be asked to have a fair look on the grievance of the petitioners in order to ascertain veracity of allegations made by the petitioners. Respondents No.2 and 3 would be at liberty to devise his/her own mechanism to ascertain the truth. He/she would also be at liberty to join the petitioners or any other person acquainted with facts in issue. In case respondents No.2 and 3 finds that there is some truth in the allegations of the petitioners, then he/she shall proceed to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

The aforesaid order is being passed at this stage without meaning anything on the merits of the case. Respondents No.2 and 3 would pass necessary order without being influenced by any observation made by the Court in terms of pleadings at this stage. This order shall not debar the official respondents from proceeding against any of the party in accordance with law in case they are involved in some other case. It would be appreciated if the representation filed by the petitioners is decided within a period of one month from today keeping in view the threat perception shown by the petitioners.

Petition stands disposed of.

04.04.2018

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**(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No