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Date of Decision: 18.05.2018

BALWANT SINGH AND ANOTHER

....Petitioner.

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS.

...Respondents.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. H.S. Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. R.K. Jaswal, Advocate
for respondent No.4.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioners are seeking a direction to the official respondents to protect their life and liberty as they apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 6.

It is stated in the petition that petitioners have performed their marriage, which is against the will of private respondents and they have apprehension that the private respondents might cause physical harm to them.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has drawn my attention to the representation dated 16.05.2018 sent by the petitioners to respondent No. 2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Sri Muktsar Sahib (Annexure P-5).

Issue notice to respondents No. 1 to 3 only.

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At the asking of the Court Mr. Ramandeep Sandhu, Senior DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No. 1 to 3.

Keeping in view the mandate of Supreme Court in the case of "***Lata Singh V. State of U.P. and another***", JT 2006(6) SC 173, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No. 2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Sri Muktsar Sahib to look into the matter and take appropriate action in accordance with law to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents.

It is clarified that this order shall not be treated as a stamp of this Court about the marriage of the parties and no opinion with regard to the validity of the marriage has been expressed in this order.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners has contended that the relatives of petitioner No.2 are in Court premises and petitioners apprehend threat from them.

At the oral request of learned counsel for the petitioners, U.T., Administration through S.S.P. Chandigarh is impleaded as respondent No.7.

The Registry is directed to carry out the necessary correction.

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At the asking of the Court, Mr. J.S. Toor, Addl. P.P.,
U.T., Chandigarh puts in appearance on behalf of respondent
No.7.

The petitioners shall be escorted by the police
personnel provided by respondent No.7 to Police Station Phase
11, S.A.S. Nagar and from there, the police personnel of
S.A.S. Nagar shall escort them till their residence in district Sri
Muktsar Sahib.

A copy of this order be given to the
learned counsel for the parties under the signatures of Bench
Secretary of this Court.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

18.05.2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned : YES/NO
Whether reportable : YES/NO