

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

**CRM-M No.22902 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 25.05.2018**

Seema Lakha and another

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: Mr. Vijay Kumar, Advocate for the petitioners.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J. (Oral)

Present petition has been filed praying for protection to the life and liberty of the petitioners, in view of the marriage solemnized by them against the wishes of respondent Nos.4 and 5.

2. Notice of motion.

3. Mr. A.S.Dhaliwal, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3 and three copies of the petition have been supplied to him in the Court.

4. The documents annexed by the petitioners including the AADHAR Cards of the petitioners show that both are major and are present in Court also, duly identified by their Counsel. They apprehend threat to their life and liberty at the hands of respondent Nos.4 and 5. Therefore, the present petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.2/Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners, as per law.

5. However, it is made clear that this order may not be construed as expression of an opinion on legality and validity of the marriage of the petitioners.

6. In case, any criminal case is pending against petitioner No.2, this order shall not be any hindrance to proceed according to law.
7. With the above direction, the petition stands disposed off.

May 25, 2018
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(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>No</i>