

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

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CWP-16231-2019

Date of decision: 03.06.2019

Roopa and another

.... Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. M.S.Rana, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Manjari Nehru Kaul, J.

Prayer in the instant petition filed is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3, to provide protection of life and liberty to the petitioners, who have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 7.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1—Roopa, aged about 21 years and petitioner No.2—Balwinder Singh, aged 23 years have got married against the wishes of their family members, arrayed as respondents No.4 to 7. It has been further submitted that the private respondents are threatening to interfere in the marital life of the petitioners. Hence, they are seeking protection in that regard and have approached this Court by way of filing the instant petition.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On the asking of Court, Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Sr. DAG, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. A complete copy of the paper book has been furnished to the learned State counsel, in the Court.

5. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Tarn Taran, to look into the representation dated 01.06.2019 (Annexure P-5) *qua* threat perception, if any, and take necessary steps, if any required, in accordance with law, to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents. However, this direction will not validate the marriage said to have taken place between the parties and will have no effect on any civil or criminal action, which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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| 1. | Whether speaking/non-speaking? | Yes/No |
| 2. | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |