

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-29592 of 2019

Date of decision: 11.10.2019

Pooja and another

... Petitioners

versus

State of Haryana and others

.... Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Sarvesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.

In the present writ petition, the prayer of the petitioners is for protecting their life and liberty as they apprehend danger to the same at the hands of respondent No.4.

As per the averments made in the petition, both the petitioners are of the age where, they can legally decide about their future prospects including choosing of their life partners and it has been alleged that the father of petitioner No.1 is objecting to the marriage of the petitioners.

Learned counsel for the petitioners argues that as the petitioners have solemnized their marriage on 10.10.2019 against the wishes of the father of petitioner No.1 (respondent No.4.) they have apprehension that the private respondent No.4, who is father of petitioner No.1. will cause harm to their life and liberty and hence, they need protection in this regard.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has drawn my attention to the representation dated 10.10.2019 (Annexure P-5) sent by the petitioners to respondent No. 2-Superintendent of Police, Karnal seeking protection of their life and liberty.

Issue notice to respondents No.1 to 3 only.

At the asking of the Court, Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

Without making any observation on the merits of the case, especially in respect of the marriage performed by the petitioners, a direction is issued to respondent Nos.2 and 3 to take appropriate decision on the representation, which the petitioners alleged to have made on 10.10.2019 (Annexure P-5), expressing apprehension about danger to their life and liberty at the hands of respondent No.4. In case any merit is found in the representation, the appropriate action will be taken by respondents No.2 and 3 to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of the private respondents.

It is clarified that this order shall not be treated as an approval 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.

The writ petition stands disposed of

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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