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

CRWP No.2223 of 2019

Date of decision: December 16, 2019

Kanchan Bala and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: Mr. S.K. Choudhary, Advocate for the petitioners.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J

Present criminal writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India has been filed by the petitioners praying for protection to their life and liberty, in view of the marriage solemnized by them against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 7.

2. Notice of motion.

3. Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Senior DAG Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 and requisite copies of the petition have been supplied to him in the Court.

4. The documents annexed by the petitioners with the petition including Aadhar Card of petitioner No.1 and Marriage Certificate show that both are major. They are also present in the Court and are duly identified by their counsel. They apprehend danger to their life and liberty at the hands of respondents No.4 to 7.

5. Therefore, the present petition is disposed off, with a direction to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police,

Pathankot, District Pathankot, Punjab to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners, as per law.

6. 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.

7. In case any criminal case is pending against petitioner No.2, this order shall not be any hindrance to proceed according to law.

(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE

December 16, 2019

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Whether speaking/ reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No