

Sr.No.137

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

CRWP-652-2020

Date of decision:20.01.2020

Satwinder Kaur and another

... Petitioner(s)

versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondent (s)

Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jasgurpreet Singh Puri

Present: Mr. Puneet Kakkar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Jasgurpreet Singh Puri, J.(Oral)

Petitioners claim that they have attained majority and married against the wishes of their family members. Apprehending threat to their life and liberty, they have filed the present petition for protection. Petitioners claim to have submitted a representation (Annexure P-4) dated 17.01.2020 in this regard to the Superintendent of Police, Fatehgarh Sahib.

Notice of motion to the Advocate General, Punjab.

On asking of the Court, Mr. M.S.Nagra, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State. Copy supplied.

Heard.

The petitioners have placed on record Aadhar Cards of petitioners No.1 and 2 (Annexures P-1 and P-2) and the petitioners have also produced on record their marriage photographs (Annexure P-3).

This petition is disposed of with a direction to the Superintendent of Police, Fatehgarh Sahib, Punjab, to look into the representation Annexure P-4 dated 17.01.2020 and ensure that no harm is caused to the petitioners.

Although petitioner No.2 is two months short of 21 years of age, however, keeping in view the fact that the right to life and liberty is specified under Article 21 of the Constitution of India, the only purpose for making an order in this case, is to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners. It is made clear that this order shall not be treated as stamp of the Court about the marriage of the parties and no opinion regarding the validity of the marriage has been expressed. This order shall also not be construed as to protect the petitioners with regard to some other illegal activity or offence, if at all involved in it.

20th January, 2020

Shivani Kaushik

[JASGURPREET SINGH PURI]
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable *Yes/No*