

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

**CRWP No.3102 of 2020
Date of Decision: 18.05.2020**

Harsimran Kaur and another

Petitioners.

Versus

State of Punjab and others

Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Narinder S. Lucky, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG., Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to the outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

Petitioners seek protection of their life and liberty as they apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No.6 to 9 and other relatives because they have married each other on 12.05.2020 against the wishes of the said respondents.

Both the petitioners, it is submitted, have solemnised marriage with each other out of their own free will and volition and it is their first marriage.

It is contended that the petitioners are major, their dates of birth being 08.08.1993 and 04.01.1992, respectively. True copies of Adhaar Cards of both the petitioners have been appended with the petition as Annexures P1 and P2, respectively. A copy of the Marriage Certificate and the photographs of the marriage are on record as Annexures P3 and P4, respectively. Petitioners, it is

stated, have submitted representation dated 13.05.2020 (Annexure P-5) to respondents No.2 and 3 for redressal of their grievance but no action has been taken thereon.

Notice of motion to Advocate General, Punjab.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State. Advance copy of the petition already stands served.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Sahib Singh, Police Station Sadar, Amritsar, submits that the statements of the petitioners have been recorded wherein they have stated that though they still apprehend danger to their life and liberty at the hands of the private respondents but they do not require any protection, as such.

Without commenting upon the age of the petitioners or the validity of their marriage or the validity and genuineness of the certificates/documents appended with the petition, respondent No.3—the Senior Superintendent of Police, District Tarn Taran to look into representation dated 13.05.2020 submitted by the petitioners and take appropriate action if any/as may be required, keeping in view the threat perception to the petitioners.

It is, however, made clear that there is no expression of opinion on the validity of the alleged marriage of the petitioners and neither will any other civil or criminal proceedings initiated against the petitioners be barred due to this order.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

18.05.2020
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[LISA GILL]
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No.

Whether reportable : Yes/No.