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

**CRWP-3319-2020 (O&M)**

Date of decision: 02.06.2020

ANKIT RAJ AND ANR

... Petitioners

versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

.... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA**

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Present: Mr. L.S. Lakhanpal, Advocate,  
for the petitioners.

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**HARI PAL VERMA, J. (Oral)**

The matter has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of COVID-19.

**CRM-W-275-2020**

Prayer in this application filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for exemption from filing the prescribed court fee.

Prayer for exemption of court fee on account of COVID-19 is accepted with the condition that the petitioners shall deposit the required court fee within a period of one month when the situation becomes normal from the COVID-19 effect.

Application stands disposed of.

**CRWP-3319-2020**

Prayer in this criminal writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of necessary direction to respondents No.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondent No.4 to 7.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners are major and have solemnized their marriage in accordance with law. However, the private respondents are not accepting their marriage and are adamant to separate them from each other by resorting to illegal means. Learned counsel further submits that in view of imminent danger to the life and liberty of the petitioners, they have moved a representation dated 27.05.2020 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2-Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3 only at this stage.

At the asking of the Court, Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

Without going into the validity of the marriage of the petitioners, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondent No.2-Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar to take appropriate remedial measures on the representation dated 27.05.2020 (Annexure P-5) submitted by the petitioners as warranted by law.

In the meantime, necessary order be passed to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners.

**(HARI PAL VERMA)**  
**JUDGE**

02.06.2020  
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| Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable?        | Yes/No |