

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

**Crl. Writ Petition No. 3738 of 2020
Date of Decision: June 15, 2020.**

Jaspreet Kaur and another

..... PETITIONER (s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... RESPONDENT (s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. V. Goyat, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Ms. Bhavna Gupta, DAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

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

Petitioners seek protection of their life and liberty as they apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5 and other relatives because they have married each other on 10.06.2020 against the wishes of the said respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that he has identified the petitioners as per the documents attached. It is further submitted that they have solemnised marriage with each other out of their own free will and volition and that this is their first marriage. It is contended that the petitioners are major, their dates of birth being 11.01.1999 and 21.12.1986, respectively. True copies of Aadhar Card 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 10.06.2020 (Annexure P5) to respondent No.2 i.e., the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala for redressal of their grievance but no action has been taken thereon.

Notice of motion to respondents no.1 to 3.

On the asking of the Court, Ms. Bhavna Gupta, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. Advance copy of the petition stands served to her.

Mr. Amandeep Singh Samra, Advocate appears on behalf of respondents no.4 & 5 and submits that they have no objection to the marriage solemnized between the petitioners, however, they would like to meet the petitioners. Learned counsel for the parties agree that the petitioners as well as respondents no.4 & 5 may come present at the office of respondent no.3 on 19.06.2020 at 11:00 A.M.

Keeping in view of the above, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 i.e., the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala to look into the matter and take necessary steps if any/as may be required, keeping in view the threat perception to the petitioners.

It is, however, made clear that this order shall have no effect 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.

15.06.2020

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**(LISA GILL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No