

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

CRWP-4072-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision: 23.06.2020

Rupinder Kaur and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Yashpal Thakur, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG Punjab.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

CRM-W-452-2020

This is an application for grant of exemption of Court fee.

For the reasons given in the application, the applicant-petitioners are granted exemption from filing the Court fee for the time being with the further direction that the same shall be made good once the pandemic situation is over.

The application is disposed of.

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Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

This petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus for directing respondents No. 2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondents No. 4 and 5.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that both the petitioners are major and have married against the wishes of respondents No. 4 and 5 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No. 4 and 5. The marriage certificate and marriage photographs evidencing their marriage are on record as Annexures P-3 and P-4, respectively. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 19.06.2020, Annexure P-5 to respondent No. 2.

Notice of motion to A.G. Punjab.

On the asking of this Court, Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the petition with directions to respondent No. 2 to decide the representation of the petitioners, Annexure P-5 and grant them protection, if any threat to their life and liberty is perceived. It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law if any committed by them.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

23.06.2020

Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?

Yes/No

Whether reportable?

Yes/No