

**In The High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

CRWP-5197-2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision:- 24.7.2020

Sukhwinder Kaur and another ... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others ... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Advocate, for the petitioners.

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since the proceedings are being conducted in Virtual Court)*

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

Petitioner No.1-Sukhwinder Kaur, aged 49 years and petitioner No.2 Gurmail Singh, aged 64 years have approached this Court seeking issuance of a direction to respondents No.1 to 3 to protect their lives.

It is averred in the petition that petitioner No.1-Sukhwinder Kaur lost her husband in the year 2009 and that petitioner No.2 lost his wife in the month of April 2020 and they both, after death of their respective spouses, came into contact with each other and ultimately decided to solemnize marriage for the purpose of companionship in their advanced age. However, the said proposal was not acceptable to the daughter and son-in-law of petitioner No.2, who got agitated over the said proposal. Although

the petitioners tried to reason out with them but to no avail. Ultimately the petitioners chose to solemnize marriage despite the resentment of the aforesaid daughter and son-in-law of petitioner No.2 but said respondents i.e. respondents No.4 and 5 are now extending threats to eliminate the petitioners.

The petitioners have already made representation dated 21.7.2020 (Annexure P-4) to the police.

While refraining from making any expression as regards the veracity of the averments made in the petition, the petition is disposed of with a direction to the Senior Superintendent of Police, District Patiala (respondent No.2) to get the alleged threat perception of the petitioners examined expeditiously, in accordance with law and necessary steps as may be warranted under the facts and circumstances of the case be taken thereupon forthwith.

A copy of this order be sent to the Senior Superintendent of Police, District Patiala (respondent No.2), so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.

It is however, clarified that the aforesaid order shall not be construed to be an expression as regards validity of the alleged marriage of the parties.

(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

July 24, 2020
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Whether speaking /reasoned Yes / No

Whether Reportable Yes / No