

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-6537-2020

Date of Decision:-28.08.2020.

Rekha and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR**

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Present: Mr. Robin Lohan, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Rajneesh Chadwal, AAG, Haryana.

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**SANJAY KUMAR, J. (Oral)**

The petitioners are both majors. They claim to be married. However, the validity and legality of their marital status and relationship is not the subject matter of this writ petition. The petitioners apprehend threat to their lives and liberty from relations who are opposed to their relationship. The petitioners claim to have made a representation to the Superintendent of Police, District Hansi (Hisar), respondent No. 2 in this regard.

As this Court does not propose to go into the merits of the matter, there is no necessity to put the unofficial respondents on notice or afford them an opportunity of hearing.

Trite to state, it is the bounden duty and obligation of the State

to protect the lives and liberty of the people.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of directing the Superintendent of Police, District Hansi (Hisar), respondent No. 2, to take appropriate action, as warranted and in accordance with law, upon the representation dated 21.08.2020 (Annexure P-5), and to extend adequate protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners, if necessary. It shall be open to the police authorities concerned to verify and confirm the identity of the petitioners and their claim.

It is made clear that this Court has not gone into the validity or legality of the marital status claimed by the petitioners and this order shall not be construed as this Court's approval of the said relationship or certification of its validity.

No order as to costs.

**(SANJAY KUMAR)**  
**JUDGE**

**August 28, 2020.**  
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Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes / No

Whether Reportable:-

Yes / No.