

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH.**

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**CRWP-7286-2020 (O&M)
Date of decision : 17.09.2020**

Pooja Arora and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR TYAGI

Present : Mr. Kuldeep Singh Advocate
for the petitioners with the petitioners in person.

ARUN KUMAR TYAGI, J (ORAL)

The case has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

The petitioners, claiming themselves to be aged about 25 and 30 years respectively, have approached this Court seeking protection of their life and liberty on the averments that the petitioners performed marriage on 11.09.2020 at Shri Parsu Ram Mandir, Krishna Colony Near Kamani Chonk, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana as per Hindu rites and ceremonies against the wishes of respondents No.4 and 5 and the petitioners are apprehending threat to their life and liberty at their instance.

Notice of motion.

Pursuant to supply of advance copy of the petition Mr. Naveen Singh Panwar, DAG, Haryana has appeared and accepted notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

Mr. Namit Khurana, Advocate has appeared for respondents No.4 and 5 and accepted notice on their behalf.

The petitioners have also appeared through video conferencing who are duly identified by their Counsel. On being questioned by the Court, the petitioners have admitted having solemnized marriage and reiterated their prayer for protection as mentioned in the petition.

Learned Counsel for respondents No.4 and 5 has submitted that respondents No.4 and 5 had performed engagement ceremony of petitioner No.1 and requested that respondents No.4 and 5 be allowed to meet petitioner No.1 at some public place such as the police station or office of the Superintendent of Police, Yamuna Nagar.

Petitioner No.1 has stated that she has performed marriage out of her own free will and she does not want to meet respondents No.4 and 5.

Learned Counsel for the petitioners has submitted that a representation dated 13.09.2020 (Annexure P-4) was made to respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Yamuna Nagar seeking necessary protection but no action has been taken so far in the matter and prays for issuance of direction in this regard.

Learned State Counsel has no objection if appropriate direction for providing requisite protection to the petitioners is given.

Without examining the question of legality and validity of the marriage and expressing any opinion thereon, the petition is disposed of with the directions to respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Yamuna Nagar to look into the grievances of the petitioners as set out in the petition and also expressed in the representation (Annexure P-4) and take appropriate action for protection of their life and liberty as may be warranted by the circumstances.

However, it is clarified that in case any criminal case has been/is registered against petitioner No.2, then nothing in this order shall be construed as a bar to taking of appropriate action by the police authorities against him in respect thereof in accordance with law.

Registry is directed to send a copy of this order along with copy of the petition and above-said representation to respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Yamuna Nagar for requisite compliance.

17.09.2020

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**(ARUN KUMAR TYAGI)
JUDGE**

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