

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

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CRWP-8208-2020

Date of Decision: 12.10.2020.

Maninder Kaur and another

...Petitioners.

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE LALIT BATRA

Present: Mr.D.S.Nigha, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr.Randhir Singh Thind, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.
for respondents No.1 to 3-State.

Lalit Batra, J . (Oral):

Case has been taken up for hearing through Video Conferencing.

Petitioners have sought protection of their life and liberty, *inter alia*, taking the plea that they performed the marriage with each other, whereas private respondents are not accepting their marriage and now they are apprehending danger to their life and liberty from private respondents. Learned counsel for the petitioners contended that the petitioners performed marriage on 06.10.2020.

Learned State counsel submits that in terms of copy of passport (Annexure P/2) attached with the petition, petitioner No.1-Maninder Kaur daughter of Karnail Singh was born on 05.10.2002, whereas in terms of copy of Aadhar Card (Annexure P/3), petitioner No.2-Amarjit Singh son of Balbir Singh was born on 15.02.1988.

Having considered the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioners and perusal of record, respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Tarn Taran is directed to consider the representation dated 06.10.2020 (Annexure P/5) and issue necessary orders, as warranted by law, so as to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents.

However, it is also made clear that this order shall not be taken to validate the alleged marriage of the petitioners or entitle them for any protection against their arrest or continuance of any criminal proceedings, if they are found involved in the commission of any cognizable offence. In case, the petitioners had committed any offence, the law will take its own course.

With the above said observations made and directions issued, the present petition stands disposed of.

October 12, 2020

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(LALIT BATRA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :

Yes/No

Whether reportable :

Yes/No