

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

CRWP No.9542 of 2020 (O&M)

DATE OF DECISION: 18.11.2020

Vaishali and another

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ALKA SARIN

Present: Mr. Vivek Baghla, Advocate for the petitioners

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ALKA SARIN, J. (Oral):

Heard through video conferencing.

This is a petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking protection of life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 6.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that the petitioners are major and have got married against the wishes of their parents and relatives. In support of their age proof, the Aadhar Cards of both the petitioners have been annexed with the petition as Annexures P-1 and P-3, besides High School Examination Marks-Sheet of petitioner No.1 and Birth Certificate of petitioner No.2 as Annexures P-2 and P-4 respectively. Learned counsel for the petitioners has contended that the petitioners are receiving serious threats and apprehend grave danger to their life and liberty. The petitioners had also sent a representation dated 11.11.2020 (Annexure P-7) to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Batala, respondent No.2, for providing adequate security. However, no action has been taken till date.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Ramandeep Sandhu, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab has joined the session through video conferencing and accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Without expressing any opinion with regard to the veracity of the contents of the petition and the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioners, the present petition is disposed off with a direction to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Batala to consider the representation dated 11.11.2020 (Annexure P-7) and take necessary action as per law.

It is, however, made clear that this order shall not, in any manner, be construed as an expression of opinion on the veracity of the statement made by the petitioners or on the validity of the marriage and shall have no effect on any other civil or criminal proceedings, if any, instituted/pending against them.

(ALKA SARIN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/non-speaking: Speaking
Whether reportable: YES/NO