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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-10889-2020
Date of Decision : 29.12.2020

Monika and another Petitioners
Versus

State of Punjab and others Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK KUMAR VERMA

Present : Mr. Karanjeet Singh Brar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

ASHOK KUMAR VERMA, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing on account of outbreak of Pandemic COVID-19.

Through this petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, prayer has been made for issuance of direction to respondents No.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners and not to interfere in their peaceful married life.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners are major and have solemnized their marriage in accordance with law. However, the private respondents are not accepting their marriage and are adamant to separate them from each other by resorting to illegal means. Learned counsel further submits that in view of imminent danger to the life and liberty of the petitioners, petitioners have moved a representation dated 22.12.2020 (Annexure P-4) to respondents No.2 and 3 - Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka and Station House Officer, Police Station Bahavwala, District Fazilka respectively.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3 only at this stage.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. Ajay Pal Singh Gill, DAG,
Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

The contents of the petition alongwith Annexures thereof have been perused. The present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka that the contents of the representation dated 22.12.2020 (Annexure P-4) seeking protection of life and liberty be duly verified and if necessary, requisite steps be taken strictly in accordance with law for grant of protection of life and liberty of the petitioners. It is clarified that this order shall neither be treated as a stamp of this Court qua marriage of the petitioners nor any reflection on the merits of the contentions raised by them in the present petition.

29.12.2020

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(ASHOK KUMAR VERMA)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No