

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

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CRWP No.1084 of 2021.

Date of Decision: 04.02.2021.

Shikha and another

....Petitioners.

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE LALIT BATRA

Present: Petitioners (Shikha and Deepak Mehra) in person.

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 on 01.02.2021, whereas private respondents are not accepting their marriage and now they are apprehending danger to their life and liberty from private respondents.

Notice of motion to respondents No. 1 to 3 only. Complete copy of paperbook be supplied to respondent-State during the course of the day.

In view of the averments made in the petition and perusing the record, respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot, District Pathankot, is directed to consider the representation dated 01.02.2021 (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.

(LALIT BATRA)
JUDGE

04.02.2021
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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

Whether Reportable : Yes/ No