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

**(Through video conferencing)**

**CRWP-1741-2021**
***Date of Decision:- 19.02.2021***

**SIMRAN KAUR AND ANR** … *Petitioners*

*Versus*

***STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS*** ... *Respondents*

***CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL***

**Present:** Mr. Anureet S.Sidhu, Advocate, for
the petitioners.

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***MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J.(Oral)***

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondents Nos.2 and 3, to provide protection of life and liberty to the petitioners, who have married against the wishes of private respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that Petitioner No.1 – Simran Kaur, aged 23 years and petitioner No.2- Rajnish Singh, aged 28 years, have got married on 16th February, 2021, against the wishes of their family members, arrayed as respondents No.4 to 6. It has been further submitted that the private respondents are threatening to interfere in the marital life of the petitioners. Hence, they are seeking protection in that regard and have approached this Court by way of filing the instant petition.

Notice of motion.

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On the asking of the Court, Mr. Sidakmeet Singh Sandhu, AAG, Punjab, who is appearing through video conferencing, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, to look into the representation dated 16th February, 2021 (Annexure P-4) *qua* threat perception, if any, and take necessary steps, if any required, in accordance with law, to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents. However, this direction will not validate the marriage said to have taken place between the parties and will have no effect on any civil or criminal action, which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)**
**JUDGE**

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Whether speaking /reasoned Yes
Whether Reportable No

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