

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Crl. W.P. No.1838 of 2021
Date of Decision: 23.02.2021

Kamalpreet Kaur and another ... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others ... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

(Through Video Conferencing)

Present: Mr. Amit Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J.

1. Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondent No.2, to consider the application dated 22.02.2021 and to provide protection of life and liberty to the petitioners, who have married against the wishes of private respondents.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that Petitioner No.1 – Kamalpreet Kaur, aged 22 years and petitioner No.2 – Gurnam Singh, aged 26 years, have got married on February 21, 2021, against the wishes of their family members, arrayed as respondents No.3 to 17. 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.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG, Punjab who is appearing through video conferencing, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 and 2.

5. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a

direction to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka, to look into the application dated February 22, 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.

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>