

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

CRWP-2514-2021

DECIDED ON: 26th MARCH, 2021

RESHMA AND ANOTHER

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

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

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

This petition was filed for issuance of directions to the official respondents for protection of life and liberty of the petitioners from the private respondents arrayed in the petition.

As per the pleadings, the petitioners had performed marriage against the wishes of their parents and there was a threat perception.

On 16th March, 2021, the following order was passed:-

“ The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

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

Mr. Harsimar Singh Sitta, AAG, Punjab, appearing on advance notice accepts the same and seeks time to have instructions.

Adjourned to 26.03.2021.

In the meantime, the police official not below the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police should record the statements of the petitioners.

In case a request is made by the petitioners, they may be provided shelter in safe house till the next date.”

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Balwinder Singh submits that the statements of the petitioners have been recorded by Deputy Superintendent of Police (City), Tanda. It is stated therein that there is no threat perception.

In view of above, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that no cause of action survives for pursuing the present petition.

Disposed of as infructuous.

26th MARCH, 2021

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**(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE**

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