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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

CRWP-2075-2020

Date of Decision: 24.11.2021

HARNIT KAUR AND ANOTHER

.... Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- None for the petitioners.

Mr. Arun Kaundal, DAG, Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR.J (Oral)

The present criminal writ petition has been filed under Article 227 of the Constitution of India seeking a prayer for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5.

It was contended that the petitioners, both being major, had decided to solemnize marriage which was against the wishes of the family members. The marriage was solemnized on 24.02.2020 and, thereafter, as the parents of petitioner No.1 were threatening the petitioners, they approached the High Court seeking protection. By an order dated 25.02.2020, the petitioners were directed to serve respondents No.4 and 5 through ordinary process, registered post and dasti as well and in the meanwhile, respondent No.2 i.e. Superintendent of Police, Gurdaspur was

directed to look into the matter and find out the existence of the alleged threat perception to the life and liberty of the petitioners. Thereafter, the matter was listed on 10.08.2021, on which date, no one had put in appearance on behalf of the petitioners and consequently, the matter was adjourned for 08.01.2021 and subsequently, adjourned on two occasions thereafter.

The matter has been taken up for hearing today and there is no appearance on behalf of counsel for the petitioners. A reading of the note put up by the Registry, it would reflect that notices could not be issued to respondents No.4 and 5 for want of process fee. The non-appearance of the counsel for the petitioners would reflect that the petitioners are no longer interested in pursuing the matter.

Consequently, the petition stands dismissed for want of prosecution.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No