

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

**CRWP No.2666 of 2021
DECIDED ON: 7th APRIL, 2021**

Kusam Bala and another

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: None for the petitioners.

Mr. Randhir Thind, D.A.G., 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 17th 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.

Ms. Bhavna Gupta, DAG, Punjab, appearing on advance notice accepts the same and seeks time to have instructions.

Put up on 7.4.2021.

In the meantime, the police officials 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.”

None has put in appearance on behalf of the petitioners.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Lakhwinder Singh, submits that the statements of the petitioners have been recorded by Deputy Superintendant of Police, City Pathankot. It is stated therein that they don't apprehend any threat.

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.

7th APRIL, 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>