

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

**CRWP-2805-2021
DECIDED ON: 24th AUGUST, 2021**

MUSKAN AND ANOTHER

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: None for the petitioners.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

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

[2] 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.

[3] As per the pleadings, the petitioners had performed marriage against the wishes of their parents, hence, there is a threat perception.

[4] On 19th March, 2021, the following order was passed:-

“ Notice of motion to respondents No. 1 to 4 only at this stage.

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

Put up on 6.4.2021.

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.”

[5] Reply dated 31st March, 2021 was filed.

[6] Learned State counsel submits that neither the petitioners were available at the given address nor they have come forward to get their statements recorded.

[7] None has put in appearance on behalf of the petitioners. So was the position on the last date of hearing.

[8] In view of above, no cause of action survives for pursuing the present petition.

[9] Disposed of as infructuous.

[10] The petitioners would be at liberty to approach the police authorities in case there is any threat perception and there is no doubt the same shall be considered expeditiously.

24th AUGUST, 2021

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**(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes*

Whether reportable *No*