

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

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**CRWP-3375-2021(O&M)
Decided on : 08.04.2021**

BITTU SINGH

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

. . . Respondent(s)

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL
(Through Video Conferencing)**

Present: Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Advocate
for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner states that inadvertently, Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka, has been arrayed as respondent No.2 instead of Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur. On his oral request, Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur is impleaded as respondent No.2. Learned counsel has placed on record the amended memo of parties, the same is taken on record, subject to all just exceptions, Registry is directed to tag the same at an appropriate place.

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to provide protection of life and liberty to the petitioners from the hands of the private respondent Nos.4 to 7.

Learned counsel submits that vide Annexure P-1, the marriage of the petitioner and respondent No.4 was dissolved under Section 13-B of the Hindu Marriage Act. Learned counsel further submits that subsequently the private respondents forcibly entered his house armed with deadly

weapons and threatened to eliminate him in case he did not rehabilitate respondent No.4 i.e., his ex-wife. Learned counsel has further submitted that despite a representation dated 24.03.2021 (Annexure P-2) having been made to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur, no action has been taken by the authorities concerned. Hence, his life continues to be in peril.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court Mr. Sidakmeet Singh Sandhu, AAG Punjab, who is appearing through video conferencing, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents.

In view of the above, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2–Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur, to look into the representation dated 24.03.2021 (Annexure P-2) at the earliest 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.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

April 08, 2021

S.Sharma(syr)

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes/No*