

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

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**CRWP-4442-2021(O&M)
Decided on : 13.05.2021**

INDU AND ANR

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

. . . Respondent(s)

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

Present: Mr. Virender Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 & 3 to provide protection of life and liberty to the petitioners, who have married against the wishes of private respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1 -Indu aged about 26 years and petitioner No.2-Harpreet Singh aged about 29 years have got married on 06.05.2021, against the wishes of their family members, arrayed as respondent Nos.4 and 5. He submits that it is the first marriage of both the petitioners. It has been further submitted that the private respondents are threatening to interfere in the marital life of the petitioners. Hence, they are seeking protection in that regard and have approached this Court by way of filing the instant petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that they have sent a representation dated 06.05.2021 (Annexure P-5) in this regard to respondent No.2-Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar. In support of his

submissions he has annexed the receipt of courier service through which the representation was made to the Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar as Annexure P-6.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court Mr. Luvinder Sofat, 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–Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar, to look into the representation dated 06.05.2021 (Annexure P-5) 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

May 13, 2021

S.Sharma(syr)

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes/No*