IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP No.4583 of 2021 (O&M)
Date of decision: 19.05.2021

Shabnam and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: Mr. Deepak Kumar, Advocate for the petitioners.

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MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.

1. Present criminal writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India has been filed by the petitioners praying for protection to their life and liberty in view of the marriage solemnized by them against the wishes of respondent Nos.4 to 6.

2. Notice of motion.

3. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Kiran Pal Singh, AAG, Haryana, who is present through Video-Conference, accepts notice on behalf of official respondent Nos.1 to 3 and requisite copies of the petition have already been supplied to the State by learned Counsel for the petitioners.

4. Paper-book reveals that marriage of the petitioners was solemnized on 11.05.2021. The documents annexed by the petitioners with the petition including Aadhaar Card of petitioner No.1 and Certificates of School Examination of the petitioners (P-1 to P-3, respectively) show that both are major and duly identified by their Counsel, but apprehending danger to their life and liberty at the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 6.

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5. Therefore, the present petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.3-SHO, Police Station City Fatehabad, District Fatehabad to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners as per law.

6. However, it is made clear that this order may not be construed as expression of an opinion on legality and validity of the marriage of the petitioners.

7. In case any criminal case is pending against petitioner No.2, this order shall not be any hindrance for the Investigating Officer to proceed according to law.

May 19th, 2021 **(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)**
Gagan **JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned	*Yes/No*
Whether Reportable	*Yes/No*

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