

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-5163-2021
Date of decision: 07.06.2021

Pooja Rani and Anr.

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and Ors.

....Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. Manu Loona, Advocate for the petitioners.

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing on account of restrictions due to outbreak of pandemic COVID-19.

Petitioners-Pooja Rani, stated to be aged 18 years and Pankaj Kumar, stated to be aged 20 years and 11 months, have jointly filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to protect their life and liberty from the hands of private respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners, by making reference to pleadings in the petition, submits that both the petitioners were un-married and this is their first marriage. He further submits that in this regard, a detailed representation dated 31.05.2021 (Annexure P-5) was submitted to the Sr. Superintendent of Police, District Fazilka, Punjab (respondent No.2).

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. H.S. Sitta, Assistant AG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

While refraining from making any expression as regards the veracity of the averments made in the petition, the petition is **disposed of** with a direction that in case, the petitioners approach the police authorities concerned, with above representation (Annexure P-5) with regard to their alleged threat perception, the same shall be got examined by the Senior Superintendent of Police, District Fazilka, Punjab, (respondent No.2) as expeditiously as possible, in accordance with law and necessary steps as may be warranted under the facts and circumstances of the case, be taken thereupon forthwith.

A copy of this order be sent to the Senior Superintendent of Police, District Fazilka, Punjab (respondent No.2) by the Registry through email or any other mode, so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.

Needless to say that the aforesaid order shall not be construed to be an expression as regards the validity of the alleged marriage of the parties.

Ordered accordingly.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
JUDGE

07.06.2021

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Whether speaking/ reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No