

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-5331-2021

Date of decision: 11.06.2021

Maria and another

....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. Kuldeep Choudhary, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. H.S. Sitta, Assistant AG, Punjab.

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-Maria and Abdul Sattar, stated to be aged 23 & 24 years respectively, have jointly filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer for issuance a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No.1 to 3 to provide protection of life and liberty from the hands of respondents No.4 to 7.

Learned counsel for the petitioners, by making reference to para 9 of 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 07.06.2021 (Annexure P-4) was submitted to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Ludhiana Rural (respondents 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-4) with regard to their alleged threat perception, the same shall be got examined by the Senior Superintendent of Police, Ludhiana Rural (respondents 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, Ludhiana Rural (respondents No.2) by the Registry through e-mail 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

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Whether speaking/ reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No