

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

Sr. No.114

**CRWP No.6627 of 2021
DATE OF DECISION: 19.07.2021**

Santosh Kumari & Anr.

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab & Others

.....Respondents

(Heard through Video-Conferencing)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA

resent:- Mr. Munish Gulati, Advocate
for the petitioners.

MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA, J. (ORAL)

By way of this petition, the petitioners have approached this Court for seeking the relief of the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No. 2 and 3 to protect their lives and liberty as they apprehend threat to the same at the hands of respondent No.4 because they (petitioners) have solemnized their marriage against the wishes of this respondent. It has also been mentioned in this petition that a representation (Annexure P-3) has already been moved to respondent No.2 in this regard.

Ms. Samina Dhir, learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, has joined the proceedings on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 in this case in pursuance of the copies of this petition having been sent to the respondent-State in advance.

Heard.

Learned counsel for the petitioners restricts his prayer to the issuance of a direction to respondent No.2 to take appropriate action on the said representation of the petitioners, i.e Annexure P-3.

Learned counsel for the State has no objection for the same.

Keeping in view the above-discussed limited prayer as made by learned counsel for the petitioners and without commenting or expressing any opinion on the legality and validity of the marriage as stated to have been solemnized between the petitioners, respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur, is hereby directed to look into the said representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-3) and if it is found that the petitioners genuinely deserve any protection, then to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

It is further clarified that this order shall not be construed to be a shield to the petitioners against any proceedings already initiated or intended/contemplated to be initiated by the competent authority/person on account of the said marriage and permissible under any relevant provisions of law.

This petition stands disposed of accordingly.

July 19, 2021
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(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No