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

CRWP-7461-2021

Date of decision : 10.08.2021

Madhu and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

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

(Through Video Conferencing)

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

The present Criminal Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directing respondent Nos.2 and 3 to protect the life and personal liberty of the petitioners.

It is the case of the petitioners that they both are major inasmuch as petitioner No.1 was born on 15.10.2000 and petitioner No.2 was born on 16.01.1997, and have married each other on 02.08.2021 as per the Hindu Rites and Rituals, with their free consent and without any pressure. Reliance has been placed upon Aadhaar Cards (Annexures P-1 and P-2) and the Marriage Certificate and Photographs (Annexures P-3 and P-4 respectively). It is also stated by the learned counsel for the petitioners that a detailed representation dated 03.08.2021 (Annexure P-5) has also been

given to respondent Nos.2 and 3 with regard to the same.

Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1 to 3 only.

On advance notice, Mr. Saurav Khurana, DAG, Punjab, appears and accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3.

After considering the abovesaid facts and without commenting upon the legality of the marriage, the present Criminal Writ Petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 to look into the representation dated 03.08.2021 (Annexure P-5) and after considering the threat perception to the petitioners, respondent No.2 will take appropriate action in accordance with law.

It is, however, clarified that this order shall not debar the State from proceeding against the petitioners, if involved in any other case.

Accordingly, the present Criminal Writ Petition stands disposed of in the abovesaid terms.

10.08.2021

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**(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes/No

Whether reportable:-

Yes/No