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

CRWP-7482-2021

Date of decision : 10.08.2021

Sharanjeet Kaur and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

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

(Through Video Conferencing)

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

The present Criminal Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of direction to respondent Nos.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners.

It is the case of the petitioners that they both are major inasmuch as, petitioner No.1 was born on 09.11.1997 and petitioner No.2 was born on 13.12.1998, and married each other on 05.08.2021 as per the Hindu Rites and Ceremonies, 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 (Annexure P-3). It is also stated by the learned counsel for the petitioners that a detailed representation dated 05.08.2021 (Annexure P-4) has also been given to respondent No.2 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 a direction to respondent No.2 to look into the representation dated 05.08.2021 (Annexure P-4) 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 proceedings 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