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

CRWP-7534-2021

Date of decision : 11.08.2021

Meena Rani and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Petitioners in person.

(Through Video Conferencing)

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

Although, today, the Lawyers have decided to abstain from appearing in the Court because of the call given by the Bar Association, however, petitioner No.1 namely Meena Rani and petitioner No.2 namely Gurpal Singh have appeared in person through Video Conferencing and have prayed for the disposal of the present petition.

The present Criminal Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226/227 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 03.12.1998 and petitioner No.2 was born on 18.04.1994, and have married each other on 06.08.2021, 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 & P-5 respectively). It is also averred by the petitioners that a detailed representation dated 06.08.2021 (Annexure P-6) 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. Praveen Bhadu, AAG, Haryana 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 or expressing any opinion on merits of the case, the present Criminal Writ Petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 to look into the representation dated 06.08.2021 (Annexure P-6) 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.

11.08.2021

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**(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes/No

Whether reportable:-

Yes/No