

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

**CRWP-7631-2021
DECIDED ON: 24th AUGUST, 2021**

SMILEY KALIA AND ANOTHER

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: None for the petitioners.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

[1] The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

[2] This petition was filed for issuance of directions to the official respondents for protection of life and liberty of the petitioners from the private respondents arrayed in the petition.

[3] As per the pleadings, the petitioners had performed marriage against the wishes of their parents, hence, there is a threat perception.

[4] On 13th August, 2021, the following order was passed:-

“ The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

Notice of motion to respondents No. 1 to 3 only at this stage.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab appearing on advance notice accepts the same and seeks time to have instructions.

Put up on 24.8.2021.

In the meantime, the police official not below the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police should record the statements of the petitioners.

In case a request is made by the petitioners, they may be provided shelter in safe house till the next date.”

[5] Learned State counsel has sent through electronic medium, the statements of the petitioners, print out of the same is taken on record.

[6] It is stated in the statements that there is no threat perception.

[7] In view of above, no cause of action survives for pursuing the present petition.

[8] Disposed of as infructuous.

24th AUGUST, 2021

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**(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes*

Whether reportable *No*