

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

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**CRWP No. 7842 of 2021
Date of decision :19.08.2021**

Sourabh Choudhary and anotherPetitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and othersRespondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Gautam Kaile, Advocate for the petitioners.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J.

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

This petition has been filed seeking issuance of directions to respondents No. 2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No. 4 and 5.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that both the petitioners are major and have married against the wishes of respondents No. 4 and 5 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No. 4 and 5. The marriage certificate and photographs evidencing their marriage are on record as Annexures P-3 and P-4, respectively. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 16.08.2021 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No. 2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 3-State only.

On the asking of this Court, Mr. Avtar Singh Sandhu, Addl.

A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the present petition with a direction to respondent No.2 -Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, to decide the representation dated 16.08.2021 (Annexure P-5) moved by the petitioners, and grant protection to them, if any threat to their life and liberty is perceived.

It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any, committed by them.

19.08.2021

Rajeev (rvs)

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No