

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

**CRWP-8282-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision: 02.09.2021**

Salinder Kaur and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Ms. K.K. Dhaliwal, Advocate for the petitioners.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

This petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No. 2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No. 4 to 9.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that both the petitioners are major and have married against the wishes of respondents No. 4 to 9 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No. 4 to 9. The certificate evidencing their marriage is on record as Annexure P-3. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 30.08.2021 (Annexure P-4) to

respondent No. 2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that though the Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar (Rural) has not been arrayed as a party-respondent in the memo of parties, yet he seeks the indulgence of this Court, to issue necessary directions to Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar (Rural) instead of respondent No. 2.

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

On the asking of this Court, Mr. H. S. Sitta, AAG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No. 1 to 3 only.

On the oral prayer of the counsel for the petitioners, as noticed above, the representation dated 30.08.2021 (Annexure P-4), is treated to be one submitted to Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar (Rural).

Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the petition with a direction to Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar (Rural), to decide the representation dated 30.08.2021 (Annexure P-4) of 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.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

02.09.2021

Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No

