

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

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CRWP-9270-2021

Date of Decision : September 27, 2021

DEEPA RANI AND ANR

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present : Mr. Tarun Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Through Video Conferencing

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI. J. (Oral)

Petitioners claim that they have attained majority and married against the wishes of their family members. Apprehending threat to their life and liberty, they have filed the present petition for protection. Although petitioner No.2-boy is 20½ years of age and, thus, has not attained the marriageable age as per law.

Petitioners claim to have submitted a representation (Annexure P-4) dated 20.9.2021 in this regard to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Moga.

Heard. Record perused.

Notice of motion to the office of Advocate General, Punjab.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Randhir Singh Thind, DAG, Punjab present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State. Copy supplied.

The petitioners have placed on record copies of Aadhar Cards of petitioner Nos.1 and 2 (Annexures P-1 and P-2) as proof of their age and copy of certificate (Annexure P-3) regarding performance of marriage.

This petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3-SHO, Police Station Ajitwal, District Moga, that representation, if any, filed seeking protection of life and liberty, be got looked into and contents thereof be duly verified and if necessary, requisite steps be taken, strictly in accordance with law for grant of protection of life and liberty to the petitioners. It is made clear that this order shall not be treated as a stamp of this Court regarding validity of marriage of the parties.

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(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned.	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable.	:	Yes/No