

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

CRWP No.11425 of 2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision: December 03, 2021

Deepika and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Ms. Pushpinder Kaur Minhas, Advocate
for the petitioners.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The petitioners claim themselves to be major. They have pleaded that they have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 7 and seek protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 7. They have placed on record marriage certificate (Annexure P/3) and photographs of marriage (Annexure P/4) evidencing their marriage. The petitioners have also submitted a representation dated 30.11.2021 (Annexure P/5) to respondent No.2, but no action has been taken so far.

Notice of motion.

At this stage, Mr. Kuldeep Tiwari, Addl. AG Haryana, who is present in court, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents. Counsel for the petitioners is directed to supply adequate copies of the paper book to the State counsel during the course of the day.

Similarly, Mr. Rohit Chaudhary, Advocate, who is present in court, accepts notice on behalf of the private respondents, who are immediate family members of petitioner No.1 and files the power of attorney, which is taken on record. He prays for an opportunity to have an interaction with petitioner No.1.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Without commenting on the validity of the marriage allegedly performed by the petitioners and entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of this petition with directions to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P/5) within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and grant them protection, 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.

Before parting with this order, it is also directed that in case, the young couple (the petitioners herein) are willing to meet the private respondents for an interaction, as prayed by counsel for the private respondents, the Superintendent of Police, Karnal, who, if deems fit and appropriate, may call upon the parents of petitioner No.1 through mobile Nos.7988810756 of Rajpal (father of petitioner No.1) and 8642814444 of Neelam (mother of petitioner No.1), as furnished by counsel for the private respondents.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

December 03, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No