

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

Criminal Writ Petition No.12288 of 2021

Date of Decision: December 30, 2021

Gaurav and another

..... PETITIONER (s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... RESPONDENT (s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Hitesh Verma, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Senior DAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

Petitioners seek protection of their life and liberty as they apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No.4 to 7 and other relatives because they have solemnized marriage on 24.12.2021 against the wishes of said respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that he has identified the petitioners as per the documents attached. It is further submitted that they have solemnized marriage with each other out of their own free will and volition and that this is their first marriage. It is contended that the petitioners are major, their dates of birth being 01.11.1999 and 27.09.2001, respectively. True copies of Aadhaar Cards and Matriculation Certificates of both the petitioners have been appended with the petition as Annexures P-1 to P-4, respectively. A copy of the Marriage Certificate and the photographs of the

marriage are on record as Annexures P-5 and P-6, respectively. It is submitted that there is no impediment to the marriage of the petitioners. Petitioners, it is stated, have submitted representation dated 24.12.2021 (Annexure P-7) to respondent No.2 i.e., the Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala, for redressal of their grievance but no action has been taken thereon.

Notice of motion to respondents no.1 to 3.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Sr. DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. Advance copy of the petition stands served.

Without commenting upon the age of the petitioners or validity of their marriage or validity and genuineness of the certificates/documents appended with the petition, respondent No.2 – the Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala is directed to look into representation dated 24.12.2021 submitted by the petitioners and take appropriate action if any/as may be required, keeping in view the threat perception to the petitioners.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

30.12.2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether reportable: Yes/No