

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

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**CRWP-2301-2022 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 15.03.2022**

MANDEEP KAUR AND ANOTHER

... Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Shiva Khurmi, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

This petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution 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 respondent No.4.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that both the petitioners are major and have married against the wishes of respondent No.4 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger at the hands of respondent No.4. The certificate evidencing their marriage is on record as Annexure P-3. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 10.03.2022 (Annexure P-4) to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala.

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

On the asking of this Court, Mr. Ajay Pal Singh Gill, DAG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3-State only.

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, Barnala, to decide the representation dated 10.03.2022 (Annexure P-4) 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.

15.03.2022

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Aman Jain

<i>Note:</i>	<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>
	<i>Whether reportable</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>