

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

CRWP No.5560 of 2022

Date of Decision: 07.06.2022

Pawanjit Kaur and another

.....Petitioners.

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents.

CORAM: *HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA*

Present: Mr. Harpreet S. Rakhra, Advocate
 for the petitioners.

MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA, J.(Oral)

By way of the instant petition, both the petitioners seek the indulgence of this Court for the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No.2 and 3 to protect their lives and liberty as they apprehend threat to the same at the hands of respondents No.4 to 9 because they (petitioners) have solemnized their marriage against the wishes of these respondents. It has also been mentioned in this petition that a representation (Annexure P-5) has already been moved to respondent No.2 in this regard.

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

Mr. M.S. Nagra, learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, who has appeared on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 in this case in pursuance of the copies of the instant petition having been sent to the

respondent-State in advance, accepts the notice on behalf of these respondents.

Heard.

Learned counsel for the petitioners restricts his prayer to the issuance of a direction to respondent No.2 to look into and take appropriate action on the said representation of the petitioners, i.e Annexure P-5.

Learned State counsel has no objection for the same.

Keeping in view the above-discussed limited prayer as made by learned counsel for the petitioners and without commenting or expressing any opinion on the legality and validity of the marriage as stated to have been solemnized between the petitioners, respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Hoshiarpur, is hereby directed to look into the said representation (Annexure P-5) of the petitioners and if it is found that the petitioners genuinely deserve any protection, then to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

At this stage, Mr. Ram Kumar Chauhan, Advocate, has appeared on behalf of respondent No.5 in this case and has submitted his power of attorney in the Court and the same is taken on the record. He prays that his client wants to meet her daughter, i.e petitioner No.1 and therefore, necessary directions be issued to the petitioners in this regard.

However, keeping in view the fact that the petitioners have sought the protection of their lives and liberty while alleging that respondents No.4 to 9 have threatened them with dire consequences, this Court is of the considered opinion that no such direction is warranted to be

issued.

This petition stands disposed of accordingly.

June 07, 2022
Yag Dutt

(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes*

Whether Reportable: *No*