

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

CRWP No.5617 of 2022

Date of Decision: 07.06.2022

Ekta and another

.....Petitioners.

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents.

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

Present: Mr. Vikas Bishnoi, Advocate for
Mr. Amandeep Chhabra, Advocate
for the petitioners.

MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA, J.(Oral)

Both the petitioners have joined hands to prefer this petition for seeking the issuance of the direction to respondents No.1 to 3 to protect their lives and liberty as they apprehend threat to the same at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5 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-4) has already been moved to respondent No.2 in this regard.

Ms. Ambika Sood, learned Additional Advocate General, Haryana, 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.

Heard.

Learned counsel appearing 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 petitioner No.2, i.e Annexure P-4.

Learned State counsel has no objection for the same.

Keeping in view the intent of the fundamental right as enshrined in Article 21 of the Constitution of India which ensures the protection of life and liberty to the citizens as well as the above-discussed limited prayer as made by learned counsel appearing 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-Superintendent of Police, Fatehabad, is hereby directed to look into the said representation (Annexure P-4) of petitioner No.2 and if it is found that the petitioners genuinely deserve any protection, then to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

It is further clarified that this order shall not be construed to be a shield to the petitioners against any action/proceedings already initiated or intended/contemplated to be initiated against them by any competent authority/person on account of their said marriage and permissible under any relevant provisions of law.

This petition stands disposed of accordingly.

June 07, 2022
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(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Whether Reportable:</i>	<i>No</i>