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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-W-1464-2022 in/and
CRWP-9970-2022
Date of decision: 26.10.2022

HANISH KUMAR AND ANOTHER

...Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Chandan Singh Rana, Advocate
for the petitioners.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

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Prayer in this application is for preponing the main petition, which
is fixed for 17.11.2022.

For the reasons stated in the application, the same is allowed. Let
the main case be preponed and taken up for hearing today itself.

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The petitioners claim themselves to be major. They have pleaded
that they have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 10. They
apprehend danger from them and seek protection to their life and liberty. They
have placed on record marriage certificate (Annexure P-3) evidencing their
marriage. They have also submitted a representation dated 12.10.2022
(Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2, but no action has been taken so far.

Notice of motion to the official respondents only at this stage.

At this stage, Mr. Rohit Ahuja, DAG, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents.

Let adequate copies of the paper book be supplied to him during the course of day.

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.

26.10.2022
Chetan Thakur

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No