

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP No.10198 of 2022 (O&M)
Date of Decision.26.10.2022

Monika Gothwal and another

...Petitioners

Vs

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present: Mr. Jatin, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Tapan Kumar Yadav, DAG, Haryana.

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JAISHREE THAKUR J. (ORAL)

The petitioners claim themselves to be major. They have pleaded that they have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 9 and seek protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 9. They have placed on record marriage certificate (Annexure P-3) evidencing their marriage. The petitioners have also submitted a representation dated 20.10.2022 (Annexure P-6) to respondent No.2 but no action has been taken so far.

Notice of motion to official respondents only.

Mr. Tapan Kumar Yadav, DAG, Haryana, who is present in Court, accepts notice for the official respondents. Counsel for the petitioners is directed to supply a complete copy of paper book to the counsel appearing for the State during the course of day, if not supplied already.

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 direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-6) 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.

October 26, 2022
Pankaj*

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No