IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-10836-2022
Decided on : 17.11.2022

Lovepreet Singh and another

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

PRESENT: Mr. Rajiv Kumar Saini, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 & 3, to provide protection of life and liberty to the petitioners, who have married against the wishes of private respondent.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1 – Lovepreet Singh, aged 25 years and petitioner No.2 – Sandhya Chauhan, aged 32 years, have got married on 14.11.2022, against the wishes of their family members, arrayed as respondent No.4. It has been submitted that the private respondents are threatening to interfere in the matrimonial life of the petitioners. Hence, the petitioners are seeking protection in that regard and have approached this Court by way of filing the instant petition. They have also submitted a representation dated 14.11.2022 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2 – Sr. Superintendent of Police, Patiala, wherein, they have expressed their apprehension.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On asking of the Court, Mr. AS Sandhu, AAG, Punjab, accepts

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notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 (State).

5. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – Sr. Superintendent of Police, Patiala, to look into the representation dated 14.11.2022 (Annexure P-5), *qua* threat perception, and if there is any substance in it, take necessary steps, in accordance with law, to ensure that the lives and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents.

6. However, this direction will not validate the marriage said to have taken place between the parties and will have no effect on any civil or criminal action, which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No

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