

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

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**CRWP-11037-2022
Decided on : 23.11.2022**

Arshpreet Kaur and another

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

PRESENT: Mr. Virender Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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 and 3 to provide protection of lives and liberty of the petitioners, who have married against the wishes of private respondents.

Learned counsel for petitioners submits that petitioner No.1 – Arshpreet Kaur, aged about 18 years and petitioner No.2 – Gurjeevan Singh, aged about 21 years, have got married on 19.11.2022 against the wishes of their family members, arrayed as respondents No. 4 to 6. It has been further submitted that private respondents are threatening to interfere in the matrimonial life of petitioners. Hence, 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 19.11.2022, (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2 – Sr. Superintendent of Police, Sangrur, wherein, they have expressed their apprehension.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. JS Arora, DAG, Punjab, who is

present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 to 3

(State).

On advance notice, Mr. Sarvesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate, appears on behalf of respondents No.4 & 5 (parents of petitioner No. 1) and files his vakalatnama, which is taken on record, subject to all just exceptions.

He submits that although respondents No.4 & 5, have no objection to the marriage performed by their daughter with petitioner No. 2- Gurjeevan Singh, yet they desire to meet their daughter once.

In view of the above, present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – Sr. Superintendent of Police, Sangrur, to look into the representation dated 19.11.2022 (Annexure P-5), *qua* threat perception and if there is any substance in it, take necessary steps, in accordance with law, to ensure that lives and liberty of petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondent.

It is further directed that in case respondents No. 4 & 5 make any genuine request to express their desire to meet their daughter i.e. petitioner No. 1 – Arshpreet Kaur, same may be considered, as per the situation.

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

November 23, 2022

J.Ram

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