

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

116

**CRWP-12079-2022 (O&M)
Decided on :22.12.2022**

Lovepreet Kaur and another

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

PRESENT: Mr. Mandeep Kumar Dhot, 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 – Lovepreet Kaur, aged about 24 years and petitioner No.2 –Gurwinder Singh, aged about 28 years, have got married on 06.04.2022 against the wishes of their family members, arrayed as respondents No. 4 to 6.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners has performed marriage on 06.04.2022, but the factum of said marriage was never disclosed to the private respondent. It has been further submitted that after knowing about the marriage of petitioners, 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 16.12.2022 (Annexure P-5), to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Khanna, wherein, they have expressed their apprehension.

Notice of motion.

On advance notice, Mr. J.S. Arora, DAG, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 to 3 (State).

In view of the above, present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Khanna, to look into the representation dated 16.12.2022 (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 respondents.

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

December 22, 2022

Riya

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