

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-3251-2023 (O&M)  
Date of Decision: 06.04.2023

Maani and another

... Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL**

Present: Mr. Rajvir Singh, Advocate for the petitioners.  
Mr. Vipin Pal Yadav, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab.

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**ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (Oral)**

1. Maani and Masoom Ali, the petitioners before this Court, claim themselves to be major. It has been pleaded that they have married against the wishes of the respondent Nos. 4 to 8. They have placed on record the marriage certificate (Annexure P-3) evidencing their marriage. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 31.03.2023 (Annexure P-4) to the respondent No. 2.

2. Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, this Court disposes of the writ petition with direction to the respondent No. 2 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-4) within a period of one month and grant them protection, if any threat to their life or 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.

3. All the pending miscellaneous application, if any, are also disposed of.

06.04.2023  
Harish Kumar

**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)**  
**JUDGE**

*Whether speaking/reasoned?*  
*Whether reportable?*

*Yes/No*  
*Yes/No*