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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-3919-2023

Date of Decision: April 25, 2023

Anuj Devi and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr.Amandeep Chhabra, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J.(ORAL)

Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ, order or direction especially in the nature of mandamus directing respondents no.2 and 3 not to harass the petitioners illegally at the behest of private respondents and also directing respondents no.2 and 3 to restrain private respondents from interfering in the married life of the petitioners as they have performed their marriage with their own sweet will.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that both the petitioners are major and have married against the wishes of respondents no.4 to 12 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents no.4 to 12. Their marriage certificate evidencing their marriage is on record as Annexure P-3. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 19.04.2023 (Annexure P-4) to respondent no.2.

Notice of motion to respondents no.1 to 3-State only.

On asking of the Court, Mr.B.S.Virk, DAG, Haryana, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/State.

Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the petition with a direction to respondent no.2, i.e. Superintendent of Police, Fatehabad, to decide the representation (Annexure P-4) of the petitioners and grant them protection, if any threat to their life and liberty is perceived. It is clarified that this order shall not be taken to grant immunity to the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any, committed by them. This order would not be understood having expressed any opinion whatsoever by this Court on the validity of the marriage of the petitioners.

Disposed of.

April 25, 2023
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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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| 1. | Whether speaking/reasoned ? | Yes/No |
| 2. | Whether reportable ? | Yes/No |