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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRWP-6207-2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 21.06.2023

SONIA AND ANOTHER

.....Petitioners

V/s.

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUKHVINDER KAUR.

Present: Ms. Alisha Soni, Advocate,
 for the petitioners.

SUKHVINDER KAUR, J. (Oral)

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondents No.1 to 4, to provide protection of life and liberty to the petitioners, who have married against the wishes of private respondents No.5 to 8.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that both the petitioners are major, petitioner No.1 – Sonia, aged 24 years and petitioner No.2 – Sanjeev Singal, aged 35 years and have got married on 16.06.2023, against the wishes of their family members, arrayed as respondents No.5 to 8. The copies of 'Aadhaar' card of petitioners (Annexures P-1 and P-2) have been placed on record. Marriage certificate and photographs have also been placed on record as Annexures P-3 and 4.

It has been further submitted that this is the first marriage of the petitioners and the private respondents are threatening to interfere in their marital life. Hence, they are seeking protection in that regard and have approached this Court by way of filing the instant petition.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court Mr. Sharan Sethi, Addl. A.G., Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the respondents-State.

In view of the limited prayer made by the petitioners, the petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.2 – Superintendent of Police, District Panipat, Haryana, to look into the representation dated 14.06.2023 (Annexure P-5) at the earliest and take necessary steps, if any required, in accordance with law, to ensure that the life and liberty of the 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.

June 21, 2023
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[SUKHVINDER KAUR]
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking / reasoned</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>