

CRWP-6514-2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(126)

CRWP No.6514 of 2023
Date of Decision:-03.07.2023

Satnam Kumar and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

Present: Mr. Raman Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. I. P. S. Sabherwal, DAG, Punjab.

ALOK JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. The present Criminal Writ Petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for directing respondent Nos.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners.

2. It is the case of the petitioners that they both are major inasmuch as petitioner No.1 was born on 25.12.1995 and petitioner No.2 was born on 27.04.2000, and have married each other on 29.06.2023, with their free consent and without any pressure and that this is their first marriage. Reliance has been placed upon Aadhaar Cards (Annexures P-1 and P-2, respectively), photographs (Annexure P-3) and the Marriage Certificate (Annexure P-4). It is also stated in the petition that a detailed representation dated 29.06.2023 (Annexure P-5) has also been given to respondent No.2 with regard to the same.

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3. Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1 to 3 only.

4. On advance notice, Mr. I.P.S. Sabherwal, DAG, Punjab, appears and accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 and on a specific query put by this Court, he has stated that he has no objection in case, respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Hoshiarpur, District Hoshiarpur, looks into the representation dated 29.06.2023 (Annexure P-5) and takes appropriate action in accordance with law.

5. After considering the abovesaid facts and without commenting upon the legality of the marriage and expressing any opinion on merits of the case, the present Criminal Writ Petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 to look into the representation (Annexure P-5) and after considering the threat perception to the petitioners, respondent No.2 will take appropriate action in accordance with law.

6. It is, however, clarified that this order shall not debar the State from proceeding against the petitioners, if involved in any case.

(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE

July 03, 2023

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