

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANAAT
CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-7286-2023 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 26.07.2023

MANPREET KAUR AND ANR.

... Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Kapil Khanna, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

This petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 to 7.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that both the petitioners are major and have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 7 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No.4 to 7. The certificate and photographs evidencing their marriage are on record as Annexures P-3 and P-4, respectively. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 20.07.2023 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, District Patiala.

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

On the asking of this Court, Mr. CL Pawar, Additional AG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3-State only.

Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the present petition with a direction to respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, District Patiala, to decide the representation dated 20.07.2023 (Annexure P-5) moved by the petitioners and grant protection to them, if any threat to their life and 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.

26.07.2023

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)

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JUDGE

Note:	Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
	Whether reportable	:	Yes/No