

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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2023:PHHC:122416

CRWP-9207-2023

Date of decision: September 18th, 2023

Sandeep Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Petitioners in person.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

Lawyers of the Bar Association are abstaining from work, however, petitioners are present in person.

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3, to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners, who apprehend threat to their life at the hands of private respondents No.4 and 5, who are stated to be family members of petitioner No.1.

Petitioner No.2 submits that he is aged 24 years and petitioner No.1, aged 23 years, got married on 13.09.2023, against the wishes of family members of petitioner No.1, arrayed as respondents No.4 and 5. Ever since then, the petitioners are being threatened with dire consequences by the private respondents. Resultantly, a representation dated 13.09.2023 (Annexure P-4) was also made to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala for protection of their life and liberty but in vain. Petitioners submit that they would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, to look into their

representation (Annexure P-4) and take appropriate steps at the earliest.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a directions to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, to look into the representation dated 13.09.2023 (Annexure P-4) qua the alleged threat perception and take necessary steps, as may be 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.

September 18th, 2023
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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No