

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

(137)

CRWP-9261-2023
Date of Decision:-18.09.2023

Harwinder Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

Present: None for the petitioners.

ALOK JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. A letter has been received by circular whereby the Bar has suspended the work as a mark of respect on account of the demise of Senior Member of the Bar, who was also the Ex-President of the Bar, therefore, the lawyers are abstaining from work today.

2. The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondent Nos.2 & 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners, who got married on 07.09.2023 at the hands of private respondents.

3. I have gone through the case file and perused the record.

4. Considering the nature of the order being passed, there is no necessity to serve the respondents or to seek a reply from any one of the respondents.

5. In light of the above and considering the averments made in the petition, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to

respondent No.2-The Senior Superintendent of Police, S.A.S. Nagar, Mohali, to take into consideration the request of the petitioners made vide representation dated 08.09.2023 (Annexure P-4) and to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

6. This petition is being considered only for the purpose of protection of life and liberty of the petitioners and the filing/pendency or the orders passed by this Court in this petition shall neither be construed as any stamp of the Court *qua* the relationship/marriage of the petitioners nor shall be relied upon by any authority in any proceedings initiated against them under any other provision of law.

7. This order shall not operate as any *alibi* or defence to any proceedings which might be pending or may arise against the petitioners. Although, the State is duty bound to protect its citizens and only with the said motive, the present order/directions have been passed.

8. It is made clear to the petitioners that, in case, any averment made in this petition or in the representation dated 08.09.2023 (Annexure P-4) is found to be incorrect, the State authorities are directed to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

9. However, the petitioners are at liberty to approach this Court by moving an appropriate application, in case, any grievance still subsists after approaching the respondent-authorities, who shall look into the same in accordance with law.

(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE

September 18, 2023

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