

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-10352-2023

Date of Decision: 20.10.2023

Kajal and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS SURI

Present:- Ms. Sony, Advocate, for
Mr. Ankit Rana, Advocate, for the petitioners.

VIKAS SURI, J. (Oral)

[1] This is a petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking protection of life and liberty of the petitioners, who claim themselves to be major.

[2] It is pleaded that both the petitioners were in love for the last two years and wanted to marry with each other but their relationship was not acceptable to the parents of petitioner No.1 as they wanted to solemnize her marriage with some other boy. Petitioners have solemnized their marriage on 16.10.2023 against the wishes of parents of petitioner No.1, who are not happy with their decision and threatening them with dire consequences. Petitioners have submitted representation dated 16.10.2023 (Annexure P-5), seeking protection of their life and liberty, to the Senior Superintendent of Police, District Hoshiarpur-respondent No.2, but to no avail.

- [3] Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1 to 3 only at this stage.
- [4] Mr. Amish Sharma, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.1 to 3 and waives service.
- [5] Heard learned counsel for the parties.
- [6] Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the matter or commenting thereon and in particular the legality of alleged marriage, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the Senior Superintendent of Police, District Hoshiarpur-respondent No.2, to consider the aforesaid representation dated 16.10.2023 (Annexure P-5) and in case there is any threat perception to the petitioners from the side of the private respondents, to act in accordance with law and if need be, to provide them interim protection.
- [7] It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to validate the alleged marriage between the petitioners or protect them from legal action for violation of law, if any, committed by them.

October 20, 2023
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(VIKAS SURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No