

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

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**CRWP-10523-2023 (O&M)
Date of decision: 14.11.2023**

GURDEEP SINGH AND ANOTHER

....Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present : Mr. A.S. Gulati, Advocate for the petitioners.

SANJIV BERRY. J. (Oral)

This is a petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for directions to respondent Nos.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondent No.4.

2. It is, *inter alia*, contended that petitioner No.2 was earlier married to one Karan S/o Biram Pal, who expired on 21.12.2014 and thereafter she has contracted marriage with petitioner No.1 on 18.10.2023. Apprehending threat to life and liberty from respondent No.4, the petitioners have moved a representation Annexure P-5 to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar (Mohali) on 19.10.2023, but no action thereon has been taken till date.

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

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Anmol Singh Sandhu, AAG Punjab who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondent Nos.1 to 3.

5. Without commenting on the validity of the marriage, the petition is disposed of with the direction to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar (Mohali), to consider the representation dated 19.10.2023 (Annexure

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P-5) keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case and if so warranted, take action, to ensure protection to the life and liberty of the petitioners, strictly in accordance with law.

6. This order is not to be construed as any opinion with regard to the age of the petitioners or factum or validity of their marriage in any civil or criminal proceedings nor the petitioners would be entitled for any protection against their arrest or continuance of any criminal proceedings, if otherwise, found to be involved in commission of any cognizable offence(s).

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

14.11.2023
S.Sharma(syr)

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	:	<i>Yes/ No</i>