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

CRWP-12083-2023

Date of decision: 15.12.2023

Kirandeep Kaur and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Shubham Thakur, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Ms. Navreet Kaur Barnala, AAG, Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

This criminal writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C. for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing respondents No.2 & 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondents No.5 to 8 and their goons and further to issuance of direction to official respondent No.3 to consider and decide the representation dated 05.12.2023 (Anneuxre P-3) submitted by the petitioners.

Brief facts of the case are that petitioner No.1 used to visit the house of her grandparents where she met petitioner No.2 and subsequently, parents of petitioner No.1 started pressurizing her to get marry in an arranged setup. The petitioner No.1 disclosed her unwillingness to the same and also told her parents about the relationship with petitioner No.2 and expressed her willingness to marry him. Thereafter, when petitioner No.1 was forced to marry in an arranged setup, she and petitioner No.2 decided to marry and solemnized

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marriage but the said relationship is not acceptable to private respondents and they are threatening the petitioners and their family members with dire consequences.

Learned counsel for the petitioners *inter alia* contends that he would be satisfied in case, a direction is issued to respondent No.3 to consider and decide the representation dated 05.12.2023 (Annexure P-3) in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Navreet Kaur Barnala, AAG, Punjab puts in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents-State. Copy supplied.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Keeping in view the prayer made by the petitioners and without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3-Senior Superintendent of Police, Kapurthala, to consider and decide the representation dated 05.12.2023 (Annexure P-3) submitted by the petitioners within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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