

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-12129-2023

Date of Decision : 16.12.2023

Neeru Bansal and another

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. Ranwant Singh Sangha, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

KULDEEP TIWARI. J.(Oral)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of directions to the official respondent no.2 to protect the lives and liberty of the petitioners and to restrain the private respondent not to harass or interfere in their peaceful married life.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that both the petitioners are married. The date of birth of petitioner no. 1 is 05.12.2001 and thus she has completed 22 years of age and the date of birth of petitioner no. 2 is 08.02.1999 and that he is now 24 years of age. To substantiate this submission, learned counsel for the petitioners placed reliance upon copies of Aadhar Cards attached with the petition as Annexures P/3 and P/4. He further submits that both the petitioners have solemnized marriage against the wishes of respondent no.3 on 22.11.2023 and now they are apprehending threat to their lives and liberty at the hands of private respondent. He further submits that the petitioners have

submitted a representation dated 27.11.2023 (Annexure P/5) to the official respondent but no action has been taken on the same.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On asking of the Court, Ms. Kanica Sachdeva, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents no. 1 and 2 and waives service.

5. In view of the above, without examining the question of legality and validity of the marriage and expressing any opinion thereon, the petition is disposed of with the direction to respondent no. 2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur, to look into the representation dated 27.11.2023, (Annexure P/5) *qua* threat perception and if there is any substance in it, shall take necessary steps in accordance with law, to ensure that the lives and liberty of the petitioners are not jeopardized at the hands of private respondents.

6. However, this direction will not validate the marriage as claimed by the petitioners and will have no effect on any civil or criminal action, which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

7. Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

December 16, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned.	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable.	:	Yes/No