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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(127)

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Date of Decision:-08.01.2024

Ravneet Kaur and another
.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others
.....Respondents

CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

Present: Mr. Sanchit Punia, Advocate
for the petitioners.

ALOK JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. 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 respondents No. 2 to 5 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners, who got married on 19.07.2022, at the hands of private respondents No. 6 to 8.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that now the close relatives of the petitioners are threatening them with dire consequences.
3. Notice of motion to respondents No. 1 to 5.
4. In the present case, the parties are ordinarily residents of Amritsar, Punjab however, due to threat perception they have shifted to Hisar, Haryana, and hence, the protection has been sought from both the police in both the States.

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5. On asking of the Court, Mr. Siddharth Attri, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No. 1, 3 and 5-State of Punjab and Mr. Anmol Malik, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No. 2 and 4-State of Haryana.

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

7. In light of the above, the petition is disposed of with a direction to Superintendent of Police, Hisar, Haryana and Senior Superintendent of Police, Amritsar, Punjab to take into consideration the request of the petitioners made vide representation dated 05.01.2024 (Annexure P-5) and take necessary action, in accordance with law.

8. It is made clear that the filing of this petition or any order passed herein does not approve or disapprove the relationship/marriage of the petitioners and is not a stamp by the Court qua their relationship/marriage as this petition is considered only for the purpose of ensuring the protection of life and liberty of petitioners being citizen of this country and for no other reason.

9. This order shall not operate as an *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.

10. It is made clear to the petitioners that, in case, any averment made in this petition or in the representation dated 05.01.2024 (Annexure P-5) is found to be incorrect, the State Authorities are directed to take appropriate action, in accordance with law.

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11. However, since, this petition is being disposed of in *limine*, therefore, copy of the complete paper book be sent through registered post to respondents No. 6 and 7 as there is serious doubt with regard to their even being aware of the act and conduct of their children.

(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE

January 08, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned:-	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:-	Yes/No