

Pasvan Mahekkumari Ramshankar and anotherPetitioners

State of Haryana and others ...Respondents

Present: None.

The present criminal writ 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 & 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners endangered at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 6 who are against the marriage of the petitioners and further to provide security to the petitioners.

In view of the resolution passed by the Punjab and Haryana High Court Bar Association, there is no representation on behalf of the petitioners.

A perusal of the pleadings indicates that petitioners have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 6 and they claim themselves to be major and seek protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 6. They have placed on record marriage certificate (Annexure P-4) to substantiate their claim. The petitioners have also submitted a representation dated 12.02.2024 (Annexure P-3) to respondent No.3 but no action has been taken so far.

Notice of motion to official respondents only.

Without commenting on the validity of the marriage allegedly performed by the petitioners and entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of this petition with direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-3) within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy

of this order and grant them protection, if there is any threat to their life and liberty in accordance with law. It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any committed by them.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

19.02.2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No