

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

**CRWP-1611-2024
Date of decision: 20.02.2024**

Sakshi and another**....Petitioners.**

Versus

The State of Punjab and others**....Respondents.****CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY**

Present:- Mr. Sanjay Khan, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

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SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

1. This is a petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directions to respondents No. 2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondent No. 4.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners, both major, have solemnized their marriage on 15.02.2024 according to Hindu rites and ceremonies. He also refers to the marriage certificate dated 15.02.2024 (Annexure P-4). He also refers to the Aadhar Cards (Annexures P-1 and P-2) of the petitioners to show that the petitioners are major.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that private respondent No. 4 is not accepting the marriage of the petitioners and they apprehend danger to their life and liberty from

the private respondent and in this regard they have already moved a representation dated 15.02.2024 (Annexure P-5) before the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala.

4. Notice of motion to the official respondents.
5. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Daksh Prem Azad, AAG, Punjab, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondents.
6. Without commenting on the validity of the marriage, the petition is disposed of with the direction to respondent 2-the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, to consider the representation dated 15.02.2024 (Annexure 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.
7. 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).

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i) Whether speaking/reasoned?

ii) Whether reportable?

(SANJIV BERRY)

JUDGE

Yes/No

Yes/No