

CRWP-4360-2024
DATE OF DECISION: 13.05.2024

Versus

Present: Mr. A.S. Kakkar, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Mr. B.S.Virk, Sr. DAG, Haryana.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

3. On the asking of the Court, learned State Counsel accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents. A copy of the paper-book be handed over to him during the course of the day.



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4. Both of them do appear to have crossed the age of majority as seen from the copies of documents filed and have married each other, in support of which, Marriage Photographs & Marriage Certificate (Annexures P-4& P-3), have been placed on record.

5. For the aforesaid reasons, this appears to be a fit case for this Court to invoke the inherent powers under Section 482 of the Cr.P.C. and in view of the mandate contained in Article 21 of the Constitution of India to protect the citizen's right to life and liberty.

6. Thus, the Superintendent of Police, Jind is directed to consider the representation dated 08.05.2024 (Annexure P-7) within two days from today and take appropriate steps to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners.

7. It is nevertheless clarified that this order is issued only on the premise that the petitioners have crossed the age of majority as seen from the documents placed on record being their Aadhar Cards as Annexures P-1 and P-2. This would not *ipso facto* amount to granting any seal of approval on the legality of their marriage which essentially would come in the domain of the concerned Matrimonial Courts. Further, they would not 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).

8. The petition is disposed of with the above directions.

(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*
Whether reportable *Yes/No*