



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

CRWP-6768-2024

Date of decision : 17.07.2024

Shahreen Baano and another

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Anil K. Sokal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C. for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 for protection of life and liberty of the petitioners and not to interfere in the peaceful life of the petitioners at the behest of private respondents No.4 to 8 and other relatives.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that both the petitioners are major and have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 8 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 8. Their marriage certificate evidencing their marriage is on record as Annexure P-3. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 10.07.2024 (Annexure P-4) to respondent No.2.

Notice of motion to respondents no.1 to 3-State only.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Tarun Aggarwal, Sr. D.A.G.,

Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State.



Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the petition with a direction to respondent No.2-Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar to decide the representation dated 10.07.2024 (Annexure P-4) of the petitioners and grant them protection, if any threat to their life and liberty is perceived. It is clarified that this order shall not be taken to grant immunity to the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any, committed by them. This order would not be understood having expressed any opinion whatsoever by this Court on the validity of the marriage of the petitioners.

Disposed of.

17.07.2024
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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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