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

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Date of Decision:- 03.09.2024

**Palak and Anr.**

....Petitioners

Vs.

**State of Punjab and Ors.**

...Respondents

**CORAM:-HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI**

Present:- Mr. Manpreet Singh, Advocate for petitioners.

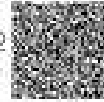
Mr. Kewal Singh, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

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**AMARJOT BHATTI, J.**

1. Petitioners Palak and Lovejeet Singh have filed present petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No.2 & 3 to protect life and liberty of petitioners from the hands of respondent No.4.

2. It is submitted that both petitioners are major. Petitioner No.1 is aged about 24 years, copy of her Aadhar Card is Annexure P-1 and Secondary School Examination Certificate is Annexure P-3. Petitioner No. 2 is aged about 24 years, copy of his Aadhar Card is Annexure P-2 and copy of PAN Card is Annexure P-4. They had performed marriage on 28.08.2024. Copy of marriage photographs are Annexure P-5 and certificate of Marriage is Annexure P-6. Petitioners also moved representation to Senior Superintendent of Police, District Ferozepur dated 29.08.2024, which is Annexure P-7. Petitioners had performed marriage

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without consent and wishes of father of petitioner No.1. Respondent No.4 is father of petitioner No.1 from whom, petitioners are receiving threats.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On asking of this Court, Mr. Kewal Singh, Addl. A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of State. Complete copy of paperbook along with supporting documents is already supplied.

5. Considering nature of litigation, no purpose would be served by serving notice to private respondent.

6. I have considered the facts narrated in petition, according to which both petitioners are major and they have performed marriage against wishes of father of petitioner No.1, as a result they are apprehending threats from the hands of respondent No. 4. It is duty of police to protect life and liberty of petitioners. Therefore, respondents No. 2 & 3 are directed to consider representation of petitioners dated 29.08.2024 (Annexure P-7) and protect life and liberty of petitioners from the hands of respondent No. 4, considering threat perception with further direction to maintain their privacy and dignity.

7. Aforesaid protection order will have no bearing on legality and validity of marriage and it will not protect them in case there is any violation of law or pending legal proceedings.

8. Petition is accordingly disposed of.

9. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, stand disposed of accordingly as well.

**03.09.2024***Sunil Devi***(AMARJOT BHATTI)  
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:  
Whether reportable:

Yes/No  
Yes/No