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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-8608-2024
Date of Decision: September 06, 2024

Manjeet Kaur and another
.....Petitioners
Versus

State of Punjab and others
.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr.Karandeep Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.
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RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J.(ORAL)

Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directing respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners and not to interfere in the peaceful life of the petitioners at the behest of respondents No.4 to 8. It is further prayed to issue direction to official respondents to ensure the security of life and liberty of the petitioners which is at the eminent danger at the hands of respondents No.4 to 8 and other relatives and with a further prayer for issuance of a direction to the official respondents not to harass and humiliate the petitioners at the instance of any complaint filed by respondents No.4 to 8.

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



photographs evidencing their marriage are on record as Annexures P-3 and P-4. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 02.09.2024 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2.

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

On asking of the Court, Mr.Tarun Aggarwal, Sr.DAG, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/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-Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka, District Fazilka, to decide the representation (Annexure P-5) 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.

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1. Whether speaking/reasoned ?	Yes/No
2. Whether reportable ?	Yes/No