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AT CHANDIGARH**

CRWP-8844-2024
Date of decision: 11.09.2024

Krishma Tunknu @ Krishma Tunkanu and another

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present: Mr. Vishal Thakur, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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

AMARJOT BHATTI, J (Oral):

1. Petitioners Krishma Tunknu @ Krishma Tunkanu and Harman Jakhu have filed criminal writ petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ in the nature of Mandamus, directing respondents No. 1 and 3 to protect life and liberty of petitioners from the hands of private respondents No. 4 to 7.

2. It is submitted that both petitioners are major. Date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 29.11.2004. Copy of his Aadhar Card is Annexure P-1. Date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 13.08.2004. Copy of his Aadhar Card is Annexure P-3. Both petitioners are residing together and want to perform marriage after attaining marriageable age. Petitioners moved representation to Senior Superintendent of Police, District Hoshiarpur, which is Annexure P-5. They are apprehending threats from respondent Nos.4 to 7.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On asking of this Court, Mr. Kewal Singh, Addl.A.G. Punjab,



accepts notice on behalf of State.

5. Considering nature of litigation, no purpose would be served by serving notice to private respondents.
6. I have considered facts narrated in the petition, according to which both petitioners are major and they are residing against wishes of respondent Nos.4 to 7, as a result they are apprehending threats from the hands of said respondents. It is duty of police to protect life of petitioners. Therefore, respondent Nos.1 and 3 are directed to consider the representation of petitioners dated 06.09.2024 (Annexure P-5) and protect life of petitioners from the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 7 considering threat perception.
7. Aforesaid protection order will not protect petitioners in case there is 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.

(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

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