



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

CRWP-9674-2024

Date of decision : 04.10.2024

Satnam Singh Sood and another

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Manpreet Kanda, Advocate and
Ms. Pridhi Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioners.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in this petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 & 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners and also directing respondents No.4 to 9 not to interfere in the personal lives and liberty of the petitioners and further directing respondents No.2 & 3 not to allow/let respondents No.4 to 9 or anybody else to interfere with the lives or liberty of the petitioners or to harass them in any manner against the wishes of the petitioners or to cause any detriment to the petitioners in any manner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners states that both the petitioners are major and have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 9 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 9. Their marriage certificate and photographs evidencing their marriage is on record as Annexures P-3



and P-4. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 26.09.2024 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2.

- 3. Notice of motion to respondents no.1 to 3-State only.
- 4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Tarun Aggarwal, Sr. D.A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents-State.
- 5. 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, Hoshiarpur to decide the representation dated 26.09.2024 (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.

Disposed of.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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