



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

CRWP-9682-2024 (O&M)

Date of decision : 04.10.2024

Karan and another

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Kulwinder Singh Lakhanpal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

CRM-W-1242-2024

Allowed as prayed for.

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1. Prayer in this petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of directions to respondents No.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the newly married petitioners from the hands of private respondents and their other companions.
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 evidencing their marriage is on record as Annexures P-3. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 01.10.2024 (Annexure P-4) 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, District SAS Nagar Mohali to decide the representation dated 01.10.2024 (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.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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