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

CRWP-10831-2024**Date of Decision: November 11, 2024**

Sakshi and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Ms.Neha Randhawa, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J.(ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C. for issuance of direction to respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondents No.4 to 6 and further directing respondents No.2 and 3 not to allow/let respondents No.4 to 6 or anybody else to interfere with the liberty and lives of the petitioners or to harass them in any manner against their wishes or to cause any detriment to them 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 6 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 6. Their marriage certificate evidencing their marriage is on record as Annexure P-3. The petitioners have submitted a representation, dated 04.11.2024 (Annexure P-4) to respondent



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No.2.

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

4. On asking of the Court, Mr.Tarun Aggarwal, Sr.DAG, Punjab, who is present in Court, 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-Superintendent of Police, District Sri Muktsar Sahib, to decide the representation (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.

November 11, 2024

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**(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned ?

Yes/No

2. Whether reportable ?

Yes/No