



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

**CRM-W-483-2025 in/and
CRWP-3594-2025 (O & M)
Date of decision: 09.04.2025**

REKHA AND ANOTHER

...PETITIONERS

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Ms. Preety Arya, Advocate for
 Mr. Geeteshwar Saini, Advocate
 for the petitioners.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

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Allowed as prayed for.

MAIN CASE

1. The instant writ petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of Constitution of India for issuance of directions to official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondent No.4.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners have married against the wishes of respondent No.4 and they claim themselves to be major and seek protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondent No.4. They have placed on record the copy of marriage certificate (Annexure P-3) to substantiate their claim. The petitioners have also submitted a representation dated 21.03.2025 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2 but no action has been taken so far.



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3. Notice of motion to official respondents only.
4. Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. A.G., Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice for the official respondents. Counsel for the petitioners is directed to supply a copy of complete paper book to the counsel appearing for the State during the course of the day.
5. Without commenting on the validity of the marriage allegedly performed by the petitioners and entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of this petition with direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-5) within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and grant them protection, if there is any threat to their life and liberty in accordance with law.
6. It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any committed by them.
7. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stand(s) disposed of.

April 09, 2025
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(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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| (i) | Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| (ii) | Whether reportable | Yes/No |