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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-8143-2025
Decided on : 29.07.2025

Karan Chadda and another

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Petitioner(s)

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

PRESENT: Mr. A.S. Gulati, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the instant petition, filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of direction to the official respondents to provide protection of lives and liberty to the petitioners, who have married against the wishes of the private respondents.

The details, relevant for decision of the present petition, are tabulated as under:-

	Petitioner No. 1	Petitioner No. 2
Name(s)	Karan Chadda	Neha
Age (in years)	36 years	28 years
Date of marriage	04.07.2025	
Rite	Hindu Rites	
Represented on	27.07.2025	
Submitted to	Senior Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar (Mohali)	
Family members arrayed as	Respondents No.4 to 10	

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have solemnized marriage against the wishes of their family members, who



are threatening and interfering in the matrimonial life of the petitioners. It is the first marriage of both the petitioners. Hence, the petitioners are seeking protection in that regard and have approached this Court by way of filing the instant petition. They have also submitted a representation dated 27.07.2025 (Annexure P-5), to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar (Mohali), wherein, they have expressed their apprehension.

3. Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

4. On asking of the Court, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent – State. Let requisite copies of the complete paper book be supplied to learned State counsel during course of the day.

5. At this stage, Mr. Samdish Sahdev, Advocate, puts in appearance on behalf of respondents No.4 to 9 (parents of petitioner No.2) and files his *Vakalatnama* in Court, which is taken on record, subject to all just exceptions. Office to tag the same at appropriate place.

6. Counsel for respondent No.4 to 9 submits that parents of petitioner No.2, i.e., respondents No.4 & 5 herein, wish to meet her once to talk peacefully and make her understand.

7. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar (Mohali), to look into the representation dated 27.07.2025 (Annexure P-5), *qua* threat perception, and if there is any substance in it, take necessary steps, in accordance with law, to ensure that the lives and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents.

8. However, this direction will not validate the marriage said to



have taken place between the parties and will have no effect on any civil or criminal action, which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

9. Besides, respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar (Mohali), would acknowledge the request made by respondents No.4 & 5 (parents of petitioner No.2) in the present petition. If the circumstances so permit, respondent No.2 shall make necessary arrangements to facilitate a meeting between petitioner No.2 and respondents No.4 & 5 (parents of petitioner No.2), subject to the condition that no untoward incident is caused by them during such interaction.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

July 29, 2025

J.Ram

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No