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

CRWP-8536-2025

Date of Decision: 07.08.2025

MANJINDER KUMAR AND ANOTHER

..... Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR

Present : Mr. L.S. Lakhanpal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Gourav Kathuria, DAG, Punjab.

YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR, J. (Oral)

1. Having married against the wishes of their family members, petitioners are now apprehending threat to their life and liberty at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 9 and have prayed for granting them protection by way of this petition.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that both the petitioners are major and have performed marriage on 04.08.2025. Copy of marriage certificate is (Annexure P-3). Ever since then, the petitioners are being threatened with dire consequences by the private respondents. Resultantly, a representation dated 04.08.2025 was also made to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot for protection of their lives and liberty but in vain. Learned counsel submits that he would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot to look into their representation and take appropriate steps at the earliest.



- 3. Notice of motion to official respondents.
- 4. Mr. Gourav Kathuria, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of official respondents.
- 5. In view of above, petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot to provide necessary protection to the petitioners after considering threat perceptions to their life and liberty and to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents. 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.
- 6. Pending application (s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No