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

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**CRWP-3343-2026 (O&M)
Decided on: 23.03.2026**

SUKHDEEP KAUR AND ANOTHER

.....Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present: Mr. Shivam Chaudhary, Advocate for the petitioners.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (Oral)

The prayer in the instant criminal writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 & 3 to protect life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 to 21 and to restrict them from harassing and interfering in their married life.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners contended that both the petitioners are major and have solemnized their marriage on 19.03.2026 and in support thereof, have annexed marriage certificate (Annexure P-3) in this regard. It is further contended that the petitioners have been receiving threats from the private respondents. While drawing the attention of this Court to representation dated 19.03.2026 (Annexure P-5), learned counsel has submitted that the matter was reported to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, District Bathinda, seeking police protection, however, it went in vain. Learned counsel further submitted that the petitioners would be satisfied if directions are



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issued to respondent No.2 to look into the aforesaid representation and take appropriate steps at the earliest.

3. Notice of motion.

4. In pursuance of advance notice, Ms. Alisha Soni, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State.

5. In this regard, this Court has already given the directions in **'Asha and another vs. State of Haryana and others', 2012 SCC Online P&H 12746** and in compliance of the same, the State Government had taken steps to protect the life and liberty of run away couple.

6. Apart from that the State of Punjab vide notification dated 23.01.2025 also notified the SOPs for the protection of life and liberty of the petitioners in similar situations, in compliance of the ***Criminal Writ Petition No.12562 of 2023*** titled as ***"Kajal Vs. State of Haryana and others"***.

7. In the light of the above directions, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, District Bathinda, to consider the representation dated 19.03.2026 (Annexure P-5) and to assess the threat perception to the petitioners and after considering the same, respondent No.2 shall take appropriate action in accordance with law.

8. Disposed of.

(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

23.03.2026

Sonia Puri

Whether Speaking/Reasoned: YES/NO
Whether Reportable: YES/NO