



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

CRWP-4508-2026

Date of decision : 23.04.2026

Banita Devi and another

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr.Virender Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in this petition is for directing the official respondents No.2 & 3 not to harass the petitioners at the instance of respondents No.4 to 7 as the petitioners having married against the wishes of private respondents and to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of private respondents.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that both the petitioners are major and have married against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 7 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 7. Their marriage certificate and photographs evidencing their marriage are on record as Annexures P-3 and P-4. Learned counsel for the petitioners states that petitioners have filed representation dated 13.04.2026 (Annexure P-5) before respondent No.2 i.e. Deputy Commissioner of Police, Panchkula.



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3. Notice of motion to official respondents No.1 to 3, only.
4. On asking of the Court, Mr. Sumit Jain, Addl. A.G., Haryana 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- Deputy Commissioner of Police, Panchkula, to decide the representation dated 13.04.2026 (Annexure P-5) 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.
6. Disposed of.

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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No