



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

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**CRWP-5763-2026
Date of decision: 18.05.2026**

RITU AND ANOTHER

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present: - Mr. Talim Hussain, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. S.K. Panwar, Addl. A.G. Haryana.

Mr. Waqar Ahmed Khurshid, Advocate with
Ms. Monika Jangra, Advocate
for respondent No.4.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioners namely Ritu and Anil have approached this Court under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for seeking protection of their lives and personal liberty from private respondents No. 4 to 9.

2. The contention of the petitioners is that both are major, aged 19 years and 10 months (Approx.) and 25 years respectively and they have performed marriage against the wishes of their parents. In support thereof, copy of the Aadhaar Cards pertaining to the petitioners have been appended. The marriage of the petitioners was solemnized on 14.05.2026 at

Prachin Pashupati Nath Shiv Mandir Society, Booth No.228, Mansa Devi Complex, Sector-4, Panchkula, as per Hindu rites and rituals. A copy of Marriage Certificate (Annexure P-3) issued by the aforesaid authority has also been appended. The petitioners apprehend threat to their lives and claim that there is a constant danger of them being implicated in a false case.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners states that a representation dated 14.05.2026 (Annexure P-5) has also been submitted by the petitioners to the respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Nuh, District Nuh and he confines his prayer that the representation may be examined.

4. Notice of motion restricted to respondents No.1 to 3 only.

5. Pursuant to supply of advance copy, Mr. S.K. Panwar, Addl. A.G. Haryana has appeared and accepted notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. He submits that he has no objection if appropriate direction for providing requisite protection to the petitioners is given.

6. Mr. Waqar Ahmed Khurshid, Advocate with Ms. Monika Jangra, Advocate, appear on behalf of respondent No.4 and file their power of attorney in the Court today and the same is taken on record.

7. Status report by way of an affidavit of Dinesh Kumar, HPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Punhana has been filed on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 in the Court today and the same is taken on record.

8. Having heard the counsel for the parties, the present petition is being disposed of without examining the question of legality and validity of the marriage and expressing any opinion thereon, with a direction to respondent No.3-Station House Officer, Police Station Punhana, District Nuh to look into the grievances of the petitioners as set out in the petition

and also expressed in the representation dated 14.05.2026 (Annexure P-5) and take appropriate action for protection of their lives and liberty as may be warranted by the circumstances.

9. However, it is clarified that in case any criminal case has been/is registered against the petitioners, nothing in this order shall be construed as a bar for taking appropriate action by the police authorities in respect thereof in accordance with law.

10. The Registry is directed to send a copy of this order along with copy of the petition and above-said representation to respondent No.3- Station House Officer, Police Station Punhana, District Nuh for requisite compliance.

MAY 18, 2026
Vishal Sharma

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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