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## IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-1564-2021

Date of Decision: 26.02.2021

Neha @ Neha Devi and another

**Petitioners** 

Versus

State of Punjab and others

Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: None for the petitioners.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, Asstt. A.G., Punjab for the respondents No.1 to 3- State. *Assisted by ASI Harmesh Kumar.* 

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## **AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):**

This is a petition for issuance of directions to the official respondents for protection of life and liberty of the petitioners from the private respondents arrayed in the petition. The petitioners had performed marriage against the wishes of their parents.

On 16th February, 2021, following order was passed:-

"The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

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

Ms. Samina Dhir, DAG, Punjab appearing on advance notice accepts the same and seeks time to have instructions.

Put up on 26th February, 2021.

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In the meantime, the police officials not

below the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police should

record the statements of the petitioners.

In case a request is made by the petitioners,

they may be provided shelter in safe house till the next

date."

Status report by way of an affidavit of Mr. Sukhpal Singh,

PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, City District Gurdaspur is

filed by annexing statements of petitioners, same is taken on record.

Petitioners have stated that there is no danger to their life

and liberty and they do not require police protection.

None has put in appearance for the petitioners in spite of

pass over.

In view of statement made by the petitioners, the petition

is disposed of as infructuous.

However, the petitioners would be at liberty to approach

the police authorities in case need so arises in future.

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE

26th February, 2021

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1. Whether speaking/ reasoned

2. Whether reportable

Yes

No