IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP 3125 of 2023
Date of Decision: March 31, 2023

Anju and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

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

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HARKESH MANUJA, J (ORAL)

Present criminal writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India has been filed by the petitioners praying for protection to their life and liberty, in view of the marriage solemnized by them against the wishes of respondents No.4 & 5.

Notice of motion.

Mr.Vinay Kumar Gupta, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 and requisite copies of the petition have already been supplied to the State by the learned counsel for the petitioners.

Paper-book reveals that marriage of petitioners No.1 and 2 was solemnized on 27.03.2023. The documents annexed by the petitioners with the petition including their **Aadhar Cards (P-1 and P-2)** show that both are major and duly identified by their counsel, but apprehending danger to their life and liberty at the hands of respondents No.4 & 5.

Apprehending threat to their life and liberty, petitioners have already approached respondent No.2 by way of representation dated 27.03.2023 (Annexure P-4).

Therefore, the present petition is disposed off, with a direction to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Jind, to look into the representation dated 27.03.2023 (Annexure P-4) and in case he finds any threat perception to the petitioners, appropriate steps be taken to protect their life and liberty and also ensure that no harm is caused to the petitioners.

However, it is made clear that this order may not be construed as expression of an opinion on legality and validity of the marriage of the petitioners.

In case any criminal case is pending against petitioner No.2, this order shall not be any hindrance for the Investigating agency to proceed according to law.

March 31, 2023   **[HARKESH MANUJA]**
  anil   **JUDGE**

    Whether speaking/reasoned   yes/no
    Whether reportable?   yes/no