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

**CRWP-6435-2023 (O&M)**  
Date of decision: 30.06.2023

Manoj Kumar and another

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL**

Present:- Ms. Surabhi Grover, Advocate for  
Mr. Waqar Ahmed Khurshid, Advocate for the petitioners  
  
Mr. C.L.Pawar, Addl. AG, Punjab

**ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)**

Manoj Kumar and Rita Kanwar, the petitioners before the Court, claim themselves to be major. They have pleaded that they have married against the wishes of respondent No.4 and seek protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondent No.4. They have placed on record photographs, Annexure P-3, evidencing their marriage. The petitioners have submitted a representation Annexure P-5, to respondent No.2.

Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, this Court disposes of the present petition with directions to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners, Annexure P-5, within a period of one month and grant them protection, if any threat to their life and liberty is perceived. It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any, committed by them.

All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

30.06.2023

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**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)**

**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No