

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

Date of decision:16.09.2015.

Mehak Bansal and another

.....Petitioners

v.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Mr.Pardeep Singh Mirpur,Advocate for the petitioners

Jaswant Singh,J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C., is for seeking protection to life and liberty of both the petitioners, who are stated to be major in age and have performed inter caste marriage against the wishes of father/brother (respondents no.4 and 5) of petitioner no.1-wife. They apprehend threat to their life at the hands of said respondents. It is further stated that the couple is residents of Ward No.4, Near Civil Hospital(Rampura)Bathinda whereas respondents 4 and 5 are residents of H.No.B-4, 476, Ward No.6, Near Jhandawala Road, District Barnala.

After hearing the learned counsel for the petitioners and keeping in view the directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of Lata Singh v. State of U.P. And another, JT 2006(6) SC 173, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to petitioners to

present themselves before SSP, Bathinda, who shall take appropriate action, if so warranted in accordance with law.

This order shall not be construed to be conferring the legitimacy or authenticity to the factum of marriage having been performed as well as the age, as the Court is clearly deprived of any means to determine the aforesaid facts.

Petition stands disposed of.

16.09.2015.
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(Jaswant Singh)
Judge