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

**CRM-M-31901 of 2015**

**Date of Decision: December 11, 2015**

Sanjay alias Sanjeev and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SABINA**

**Present:** Mr. Yogesh Goel, Advocate  
for the petitioners.

Ms. Mahima, AAG Haryana.

None for respondent No.2.

Respondent No.3 in person along with  
Ms. Manpreet Kaur, Advocate.

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**SABINA, J.**

Petitioners have filed this petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for quashing of FIR No.288 dated 11.05.2015, under Sections 363, 366-A, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 ('IPC' for short), registered at Police Station Karnal Sadar, District Karnal and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that petitioner No.1 has performed marriage with respondent No.3 against the wishes of her parents. FIR in question had been lodged by respondent No.2 father of respondent No.3 against the petitioners as his daughter had performed marriage with petitioner No.1 against his wishes.

Learned State counsel has admitted the factum of marriage performed by petitioner No.1 with respondent No.3 but has submitted that respondent No.3 was a minor at that time.

None has appeared on behalf of respondent No.2 despite service.

Respondent No.3 is present in person along with her counsel and has stated that she has performed marriage with petitioner No.1 of her own free will and now she has gained the age of majority and is residing happily in her matrimonial home. Respondent No.3 has placed on record short reply by way of affidavit in this regard.

In the present case, admittedly, petitioner No.1 and respondent No.3 have performed marriage. Although, at the time of performance of marriage, respondent No.3 was a minor but now she has gained the age of majority. Presently, respondent No.3 is residing in her matrimonial home.

In these circumstances, continuation of criminal proceedings against the petitioners would not serve any useful purpose and would rather have an adverse effect on the matrimonial life of respondent No.3 who is none other than the daughter of respondent No.2-complainant.

Accordingly, this petition is allowed. FIR No.288 dated 11.05.2015, under Sections 363, 366-A, 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Karnal Sadar, District Karnal and

all the consequential proceedings, arising therefrom, are quashed.

(SABINA)  
JUDGE

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