

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANAAT
CHANDIGARH**

CRM No.M- 3915 of 2015(O&M)

Date of Decision: February 6, 2015.

Sonia and another

..... PETITIONER (s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... RESPONDENT (s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Petitioners in person with
Mr. Manoj K.Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioners.

LISA GILL, J.

The present petition has been filed by the petitioners for protection of their life and liberty as they apprehend danger at the hands of respondents No.4 to 8 and other relatives because they are stated to have contracted marriage between themselves on 28.01.2015 against the wishes of the said respondents. Both the petitioners are present in Court and on being asked submit that they have contracted marriage between themselves out of their free will and volition.

It is contended that the petitioners are major, date of birth of petitioner No.1 being 20.04.1993 and the age of petitioner No.2 being 21 years. True copies of Matriculation Examination certificate of petitioner No.1 and Adhaar Card of petitioner No.2 have been appended with the petition as

Annexures P1 and P2 though perusal of Annexure P2 shows that no specific date is mentioned and only the year of birth i.e., 1994 has been mentioned. Photographs of the marriage are also placed on record as Annexures P3. The petitioners are stated to have submitted a representation dated 28.01.2015 (Annexure P1) to respondent No.2 i.e., the Commissioner of Police, Amritsar for redressal of their grievance.

Notice of motion to the Advocate General, Punjab.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. P.S.Grewal, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. Two copies of the petition have been handed over to learned State counsel.

Without commenting upon the age of the petitioners or the validity of their marriage or the validity and genuineness of the certificates appended with the petition, respondent No.2 – Commissioner of Police, Amritsar is directed to decide representation dated 28.01.2015 submitted by the petitioners and take appropriate action keeping in view the threat perception to the petitioners.

It is, however, made clear that this order shall have no effect on the validity of the alleged marriage of the petitioners and neither will any other civil or criminal proceedings initiated against the petitioners be barred due to this order.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

February 6, 2015.
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(LISA GILL)
JUDGE