

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

CRM-M-39782-2015

Date of Decision: 23.11.2015

Sumitra Devi and another

---Petitioners

Vs.

State of Haryana and others

-----Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

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Present: Mr. Ashish Naik, Advocate for the petitioners.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking direction to respondents Nos.2 and 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 11.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 25.05.1995 and date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 22.07.1991 and copies of Secondary School Certificate of petitioner No.1 and Voter Card of petitioner No.2 to this effect are attached as Annexures P- 1 and P-2 respectively.

It has been submitted that the marriage of the petitioners was solemnized on 15.11.2015 according to Hindu rites and rituals at Arya Samaj Vedi Sankar Trust. Respondents No.4 to 11 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 16.11.2015 (Annexure P-7) to respondent No.2 seeking protection of their lives and liberty at the hands of the private respondents.

After hearing counsel for the petitioners and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the validity of the marriage and the age of the petitioners and keeping in view the binding precedent of the Hon'ble Apex Court in **Lata Singh v. State of U.P. and another, 2006(2) SCC (Criminal) 478**, the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 to look into the said issue and take necessary action in accordance with law.

23.11.2015
Atul

(Harinder Singh Sidhu)
Judge