

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

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CRM No.M- 20779 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of Decision: June 07 , 2016

Arifa @ Ganga and another

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Petitioners in person with
 Mr.Vishal Mittal , Advocate
 for the petitioners.

LISA GILL, J.

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 have contracted marriage between themselves on 24.05.2016 against the wishes of the said respondents. Both 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, their dates of birth being 19.08.1997 and 01.01.1991, respectively. Though proof of age of petitioner No. 1 is not available, her affidavit is appended as Annexure P-1. True copy of Adhaar Card of petitioner No.2 has been appended with the petition as Annexure P2. A copy of the Marriage Certificate is also placed on record as Annexure P3. The petitioners are stated to have submitted a

representation dated 26.05.2016 (Annexure P4) to respondent No.2 i.e., the Superintendent of Police, Mewat, for redressal of their grievance.

Notice of motion to the Advocate General, Haryana.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Mr. Anmol Malik, AAG, Haryana. who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. 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 – Superintendent of Police, Mewat, is directed to look into and decide representation dated 26.05.2016 submitted by the petitioners and take appropriate action as may be required, 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.

June 07, 2016
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(Lisa Gill)
Judge