

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

**CRM-M No.33118 of 2016**

**Date of decision: September 19, 2016**

**Harjinder Singh and another**

**....Petitioners**

**Versus**

**State of Punjab and others**

**...Respondents**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH**

Present:- Both the petitioners in person along with  
Mr. Puneet Sharma, Advocate.

**JASPAL SINGH, J. (ORAL)**

By virtue of the instant petition preferred under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the petitioners have sought issuance of direction to respondents No.2 to 4 to safeguard their lives by providing police protection to them and further to respondent No.3 to not to interfere and not to let respondents No.5 and 6 or anybody else to interfere with their lives and liberty.

2. Notice to respondents No.1 to 4, only at this stage.

3. At the asking of Court, Mr. R.P.S. Sidhu, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents-State of Punjab. Copy of the petition be supplied to learned State counsel during the course of day.

4. As per the version unfolded by the petitioners, they are major in age and have solemnized marriage on 10.09.2016. In support thereof, they have placed on record photographs of marriage Annexures P-3 to P-5.

5. Without expressing any opinion on the validity of the marriage and keeping in view the mandate of the directions issued by the Hon'ble

Apex Court in the case of **Lata Singh Vs. State of U.P. and another, JT**

2006 (6) SC 173, the present petition is disposed of, with the direction to respondent No.2 – Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana (Punjab) to look into the grievances narrated in their representation dated September 14, 2016 (Annexure P-6) and to take appropriate action in accordance with law to ensure that no harm is caused to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents.

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

**September 19, 2016**  
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**(JASPAL SINGH)**  
**JUDGE**

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| <b>Whether Speaking/Reasoned</b> | <b>:</b> | <b>Yes/No</b> |
| <b>Whether Reportable</b>        | <b>:</b> | <b>Yes/No</b> |