

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

CRM-M-40705-2016 (O&M)

Date of decision : 15.11.2016

SONAM RANI & ANR

...Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB & ORS.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Petitioners in person with
Mr. Davinder Pal Soni, Advocate

JITENDRA CHAUHAN, J. (Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that petitioner No.1 is major and residing with the family of petitioner No.2 with her own sweet free will, whereas the age of petitioner No.2 is about 19 years and 10 months. After the marriage they have been residing together as husband and wife and consummated during the subsistence of the marriage. He cites '**Elaichi and another VS. State of Punjab and others**', passed by this Court in LPA No.385 of 2016. Their marriage is opposed by respondent Nos.4 to 6.

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Ms. Harsimrat Rai, D.A.G.,

Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State. A complete copy of the paper book has been furnished to the learned State counsel, in the Court.

Without expressing any opinion with regard to validity of marriage and on the merits of the assertions made in the petition, the instant petition is disposed of with the direction to respondent No.2, to consider and decide the representation dated 07.11.2016 (Annexure P-5) of the petitioners and provide necessary protection to them in accordance with law, in case he is satisfied that the life and liberty of the petitioners is threatened at the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 6.

Disposed of.

15.11.2016

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**(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes / No

Whether reportable: Yes / No