

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

CRM-M-46761-2016

Decided on :29.12.2016

Rani Kumari and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.S. SANDHAWALIA

Present : Mr. J.S. Jaidka, Advocate for the petitioners.

G.S. Sandhawalia, J. (Oral)

In the present petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioners seek directions to provide protection to the life and liberty from the respondent No. 4, who is alleged to be brother of petitioner No.2.

The threat is on the basis of that they have got married on 26.12.2016 in Prachin Shiv Mandir, Mansa Devi Complex, Panchkula. The marriage certificate has been appended as Annexure P-3 and the photographs of the marriage have been appended as Annexure P-4.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 25.01.1994, as per Aadhar Card (Annexure P-1), whereas the date of birth of petitioner No.2 is of the year 1994, as per Election Commission Card (Annexure P-2) and they are major

The grouse of respondent No.4, who is 20 years senior to the petitioner No.2, is that the marriage is a run away and a love marriage. Resultantly, a representation dated 26.12.2016 (Annexure P-5) has been filed with respondent No.2 in this regard and, thereafter, this Court has been approached.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. K.S. Pannu, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State. Copy of the paper-book has been supplied.

After hearing counsel for the petitioners, without commenting upon the validity/legality of the marriage or the age of the petitioners and keeping in view the binding precedent of the ***Hon'ble Apex Court in Lata Singh Vs. State of U.P. and another 2006(2) SCC (Criminal) 478***, the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 and 3 to look into the above said representation filed by the petitioners and take appropriate action in accordance with law and provide protection, if so required.

DECEMBER 29, 2016

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**(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No