

CRM No. M-21831 of 2017

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

**CRM No. M-21831 of 2017
Date of Decision : 13.06.2017**

Anju Bala and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. L.S. Lakhanpal, Advocate for the petitioners.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J.(Oral)

The petitioners are seeking a direction to respondents No. 1 to 3 to protect their life and liberty as they apprehend danger from respondent No. 4.

It is stated in the petition that the date of birth of petitioner No. 1 is 15.03.1989 and petitioner No. 2 is stated to be born in the year 1990. Copies of their Adhaar Cards are annexed with the petition as Annexures P-1 and P-2. They are stated to have solemnized their marriage on 11.06.2017. Copies of the marriage certificate and photographs are annexed as Annexures P-3 and P-4 respectively. It is further stated in the petition that the petitioners had also made a representation dated 11.06.2017 (Annexure P-5) to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot but no action has so far been taken thereon.

Issue notice to respondents No. 1 to 3 only.

At the asking of the Court Mr. K.S. Pannu, learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 to 3. Mr. Joginder Pal Devgan, Advocate accepts notice on behalf of respondent No. 4.

Without expressing any opinion on the validity of the marriage and keeping in view the mandate of the Hon'ble Supreme 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 a direction to respondent No. 2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot to look into the matter and take appropriate action in accordance with law to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of the private respondents.

June 13th, 2017.
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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned ? Yes

Whether reportable ? No