

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

It has been averred that the age of petitioner No.1 is 18 years and date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 23.09.1992. Copy of affidavit of petitioner No.1 and copy of Aadhar Card of petitioner No.2 to this effect are attached as Annexures P-1 and P-2 respectively.

It has been submitted that the marriage of the petitioners was solemnized on 15.06.2017 according to Hindu rites in Pracheen Shiv Mandir, MDC, Panchkula. The photographs of marriage are attached as Annexure P-3. Private respondents No. 4 and 5 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 15.06.2017 (Annexure P-4) to respondent No.2 seeking protection of their lives and liberty at the hands of the private respondents.

Petitioner No.2 states that he is a salesman in Ludhiana and earns about Rs.11,000/- per month. He undertakes that he would deposit Rs.50,000/- in the name of petitioner No.1 within a period of one week.

After hearing counsel for the petitioners and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the validity of the marriage and the age of the petitioners and keeping in view the binding precedent of the Hon'ble Apex Court in *Lata Singh v.State of U.P. And another, 2006(2) SCC (Criminal) 478*, the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 to look into the said issue and take necessary action in accordance with law.

June 19, 2017

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**(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/ reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No