

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

CRM-M No.24893 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of decision : July14, 2017

Ismat Praveen and another

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH

Present:- Petitioners are in person along with
Mr. G.S. Verma, Advocate.

1. Whether the Reporters of local newspaper may be allowed to see the judgment ?
2. To be referred to the Reporter or not.
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the digest ?

KULDIP SINGH J. (ORAL)

Both the petitioners belong to Muslim community. It is claimed that as per their true typed copies of aadhar card placed on file as Annexures P-1 and P-2, they are 1997 born and are major. They also claim that they have performed marriage on 07.07.2017 at Umar Farid Masjid, Mohalla, Deep Nagar Colony, Bahadur Ke Road, Ludhiana, according to muslims rites and rituals. Now, they are being threatened by private respondent Nos.4 and 5, who are relations of petitioner No.1. However, perusal of file shows that neither there is any photograph at the time of the marriage nor any marriage certificate. Therefore, this Court, *prima facie*, cannot conclude that a valid marriage was performed.

It is claimed that the petitioners have moved an application dated 10.07.2017 (Annexure-P-4) before the police authorities for protecting their life and liberty as they apprehend danger to their life from the private respondents.

In these circumstances, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana, to consider the application of the petitioners dated 10.07.2017 (Annexure-P-4) and assess the threat perception to the life and liberty of the petitioners and if it is found that there is danger to the life of the petitioners, necessary steps be taken to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners.

However, it is made clear that this order shall not be taken to be the proof of valid marriage. Disposed of accordingly.

(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE

July 14, 2017

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Whether speaking / reasoned Yes

Whether Reportable: No