

CRM-M-34292 of 2017(O&M)
Date of Decision: September 15, 2017

Gagandeep Singh and another ...Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab and others ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

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Present: - Mr.Saurabh Kapoor, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr.Daldeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

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HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking direction to respondents Nos.1 to 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 7.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 26.9.1994 and date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 20.7.1999 and copies of the Aadhar cards of petitioner No.1 and petitioner No.2 reflecting their age are attached as Annexures P-1 and P-3 respectively.

It has been submitted that the marriage of the petitioners was solemnized on 19.8.2017 according to Sikh rites at Gurudwara Dera Dhuki Sahib, Tajpur Road, Village Khasi Kalan, District Ludhiana. The marriage certificate and photographs of marriage are attached as Annexure P-4 and P-5(Colly.), respectively. Private respondents No.4 to 7 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 10.9.2017 (Annexure P-6) to respondent No.2 seeking protection of their lives and liberty at the hands of the private respondents.

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.

September 15, 2017

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**(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE**