

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

**CRM-M-50074-of 2017
Date of Decision:28.12.2017**

Manoj Kumar and another

... Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

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

Present : Mr. Hemen Aggarwal, 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 their lives and liberty from the private respondents No.4 to 8, who are stated to be relatives of petitioner No.2.

It is pleaded that petitioners have got married on 22.12.2017 in Shri Aadi Shakti Ved Pathshala (Regd.) Marriage certified is appended as Annexure P-3. The photographs of the marriage have been appended as Annexure P-4. It is further submitted that the date of birth of petitioners No.1 and 2 are 03.10.1983 and 03.05.1984 respectively and they are more than 30 years of age. In respect of age proof, photocopies of Matriculation Examination certificates issued by Punjab School Education Board of both the petitioners are appended as Annexures P-1 and P-2.

A representation dated 22.12.2017 (Annexure P-5) has been filed with respondent No.2 in this regard and resultantly this Court has been approached.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Suveer Sheokand, Addl. A.G. Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents-State.

After hearing counsel for the parties, 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** v. **State of U.P. And another**; 2006 (2) SCC (Criminal) 478, the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondents 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.

28.12.2017
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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned **Yes/No**

Whether reportable **Yes/No**