

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

**CRM-M No.50130 of 2017
Date of Decision: 29.12.2017**

Archana Devi and another **.....Petitioners**

v.

State of Punjab and others **.....Respondent**

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

Present:- Mr. D.S. Kahlon, Advocate, for the petitioners

G.S. SANDHAWALIA, J.

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.5 to 7, who are stated to be relatives of petitioner No.1 and further directions to private respondents No.5 to 7 not to interfere in their matrimonial life and not to harass them.

It is pleaded that petitioners have got married on 24.12.2017 in Arya Smaj Vaidik Mandal (Regd.), Rajinder Market, Tis Hazari Court, New Delhi, as per Hindu rites and rituals. Marriage certificate 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 24.1.1998 and 6.5.1988. In respect of age proof, photocopies of Aadhar Cards of both the petitioners are appended as Annexures P-1 and P-2.

A representation dated 26.12.2017 (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.

(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

29.12.2017

Ashwani

Speaking/Reasoned
Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No