

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

CRM No.M-10070 of 2018
Date of Decision : 09.03.2018

Baby Devi and another

... Petitioners

versus

State of Haryana and others

.... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE B.S.WALIA

Present: Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioners.

B.S.WALIA, J. (Oral)

1. Learned counsel states that as per Aadhar Card (Annexure P-1), petitioner No.1 is more than 18 years of age as her date of birth is 29.07.1999, while as per Aadhar Card (Annexure P-2), petitioner No.2 is close to 23 years of age as his year of birth is 1994. The petitioners are major and there is no legal impediment to their marriage. Consequently, on account of mutual liking for each other, they got married on 07.03.2018 at Prachin Shri Shiv Mandir, MDC, Panchkula and were also issued a marriage certificate in respect thereto. Though the same is not available on record, original of the same has been produced in Court. The same is taken on record.

2. Learned counsel further contends that marriage of the petitioners is not to the liking of respondents No.4 to 6 i.e. father, mother and uncle of petitioner No.1, who are threatening the petitioners with harm

to their life and liberty, whereupon they submitted a representation (Annexure P-4), to the Superintendent of Police, Ambala, but no action has been taken on the same so far. Therefore, the petitioners left with no other option have invoked the jurisdiction of this Court for protection of their life and liberty.

3. Notice of motion to respondent No.s1 to 3 only at this stage. Mr. Satish Saini, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3. Complete copy of paperbook has been supplied to the learned State counsel in Court.

4. Without expressing any opinion with regard to the merits of the assertions made in the petition or the validity of the marriage, the present petition is disposed of by directing respondent No.2 to consider the representation dated 07.03.2018 (Annexure P-4), moved by the petitioners and assess threat perception to the petitioners at the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 6 and if the circumstances of the case so warrant, to provide appropriate protection to the petitioners, in accordance with law.

5. With aforementioned directions, the present petition is disposed of.

(B.S.WALIA)
JUDGE

09.03.2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned

: Yes/No

Whether reportable

: Yes/No