

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

**CRM-M No. 17665 of 2018
DATE OF DECISION :- April 27, 2018**

Bholi and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S. MADAAN

Present:- Mr. Avinash Mandla, Advocate for the petitioners.

It is contended that petitioner no. 1 Bholi, aged about 21 years has married petitioner no. 2 Jaspal Singh, aged about 19 years, against the wishes of her family members, arrayed as respondents no. 5 to 10, who are threatening to interfere in their marital life, as such to seek protection in that regard, the petitioners have approached this Court by way of filing the present petition.

Admittedly, Jaspal Singh-petitioner no. 2 is less than 21 years. In that way a marriage between the petitioners cannot be termed as a valid marriage since requirements of Section 5 of the Hindu Marriage Act are not fulfilled.

However, since they apprehend physical harm at the hands of respondents no. 5 to 10, Senior Superintendent of Police, Rural, Amritsar District Amritsar is directed to ensure that no such physical harm is caused to the petitioner at the hands of respondents no. 5 to 10 or persons claiming

under them. However, this direction will not validate the marriage said to have taken place between the petitioners and will have no effect on any civil or criminal action which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

The petition is disposed of accordingly.

(H.S. MADAAN)
JUDGE

April 27, 2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No