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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-25253-2018 (O&M)
Date of decision : 6.6.2018

Shivani Sharma and another **Petitioners**

Versus

State of Haryana and ors **Respondents**

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH

Present:- Mr. K.K. Saini, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. K.L.Saini, Advocate for the respondents.

1. *Whether the Reporters of local newspaper may be allowed to see the judgment ?*
2. *To be referred to the Reporter or not.*
3. *Whether the judgment should be reported in the digest ?*

KULDIP SINGH J. (ORAL)

Heard.

Learned counsel for the respondents has put in appearance and filed his power of attorney in the Court today. The same is taken on record.

Petitioners, who are stated to be major, claim that they have married against the wishes of their parents on 4.6.2018.

It comes out that petitioner No. 1-Shivani Sharma is aged about 19 years whereas petitioner No. 2 claims that he was born in the year 1996 and his age is about 22 years. Both of them are stated to be married against the wishes of their parents. No proof of date of birth of petitioner No. 2-Sachin Sharma has been produced that he is 22 years of age though an affidavit in this regard has been filed.

At the motion stage, Suman -mother of the petitioner No. 1-Shivani Sharma along with other relations put in appearance in Court. She submits that her husband-Mukesh Sharma who is father of petitioner No. 1

is admitted in the hospital. On the request of mother of petitioner No. 1, she was allowed to talk to the petitioner No. 1 for about 20 minutes in the Court. After the talk, petitioner No. 1-Shivani Sharma is insisting in going with petitioner No. 2-Sachin Kumar.

Learned counsel for respondents submits that he has no objection if the protection is granted to the petitioners.

It is claimed that the petitioners have moved an application dated 4.6.2018 (Annexure-P-6) before the police authorities for protecting their life and liberty as they apprehend danger to their life from the private respondents.

In these circumstances, without going into the aspects of the age of petitioner No. 2-Sachin Sharma, present petition is disposed of with a direction to the Superintendent of Police, Kurukshetra, to consider the application of the petitioners dated 4.6.2018 (Annexure-P-6) and assess the threat perception to the life and liberty of the petitioners and if it is found that there is danger to the life of the petitioners, necessary steps be taken to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners.

However, it is made clear that this order shall not be taken to be the proof of valid marriage. Disposed of accordingly.

(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking / reasoned
Whether Reportable:

Yes
No