

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-57270-2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision:- 18.12.2018

Lalit Kumar and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Atul Goyal, Advocate for the petitioners.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

Petitioners Lalit Kumar and Anjali Pathak have averred that they have married against wishes of respondents No.4 to 6, who are members of family of petitioner No.2. Petitioner No.1 has annexed copy of his Aadhar Card and petitioner No.2 has annexed her affidavit indicating that petitioner No.2 is aged 18 years, while petitioner No.1 is a little less than marriageable age of 21 years.

The petitioners apprehend threat to their life and liberty at the hands of respondents No.4 to 6 and thus seek issuance of appropriate directions.

Petitioner No.1-Lalit Kumar is stated to be less than 21 years of age.

The petition is disposed of with a direction to Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana to look into the representation Annexure P-5 made by petitioners, in accordance with law, immediately upon receipt of certified copy of this order. In case any serious apprehension of threat to the life and liberty of the petitioners is found, requisite steps be taken immediately, in accordance with law, to protect life and liberty of the petitioners.

It is, however, made clear that this order shall not be taken to be an expression as regards validity of the alleged marriage of the parties and shall not be deemed to confer any immunity upon petitioners from any action warranted under law for having married before the marriageable age.

December 18, 2018

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**(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking /reasoned Yes / No

Whether Reportable Yes / No