IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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Crl. Misc. M – 64719 of 2018
Date of decision: 28.12.2018

Shalu & Anr. ... Petitioners

Vs.

U.T Chandigarh & Ors. ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE LALIT BATRA

Present: Mr. Jagtar Singh, Advocate, for the petitioners.

LALIT BATRA, J. (Oral)

Both the petitioners are present in the Court and are identified by their counsel.

Petitioners have sought protection of their lives and liberty, *inter-alia*, taking the plea that they performed the marriage with each other, whereas private respondents are not accepting their marriage and now they are apprehending danger to their lives and liberty from private respondents. Learned counsel for the petitioners contended that the petitioners performed marriage on 26.12.2018. Photocopy of marriage certificate, produced in the Court today, is taken on record.

Petitioners have also taken the plea that they are major and have performed their marriage with free will.

Having considered the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioners and perusal of record, respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Sector-9, U.T. Chandigarh, is directed to consider the representation dated 26.12.2018 (Annexure P4) and issue necessary orders, as warranted by law, so as to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents.

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However, it is also made clear that this order shall not be taken to validate the alleged marriage of the petitioners or entitle them for any protection against their arrest or continuance of any criminal proceedings, if they are found involved in the commission of any cognizable offence. In case, the petitioners had committed any offence, the law will take its own course.

With the aforesaid observations made and directions issued, the present petition stands disposed of.

December 28, 2018 **(LALIT BATRA)**
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No

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