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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ W.P.(CRL) 1452/2018
SADIA KHATOON & ANR. Petitioner
Through: None.

versus

STATE & ORS. Respondent
Through: Mr. Jamal Akhtar, Adv.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAJMI WAZIRI
ORDER
% **24.07.2018**

The police have been directed to provide necessary protection to the petitioners. According to the Status Report, filed by the respondent/State, petitioner no. 1 was contacted thrice on her mobile no. 6201103546. The address mentioned in the petition belongs to counsel for the parties and the petitioners were not present at the said address; they are presently residing in Champaran, Bihar.

None appears for the petitioners.

The Court is of the view that in matters of the present nature ordinarily a young couple, feeling threatened by relatives who may be inimical to their matrimony, have a peripatetic life with no fixed place of residence till such time that they receive appropriate protection from the State; therefore it is possible that they may have shifted out of Delhi for some time to a secure location.

In view of the above, it is directed that if the SHO of the area of their residence is given address of the petitioners or as mentioned in the petition,

the petitioners shall be given adequate protection in terms of threat to them as may be assessed by the SHO concerned. Additionally, telephone numbers of three police officers shall be supplied to the petitioners one of which shall be of a lady police officer. These numbers shall be kept operational at all times so as to facilitate the petitioners to intimate the police in case of any exigency. Any such information sent to the police either through telephone or text message shall be promptly responded to.

Additionally, the Beat Constable/Division Staff of the area shall regularly visit the residence of the petitioners on a daily basis and record the same in the *Roznamcha*. The safety and security of the petitioners shall be assessed by the SHO on a weekly basis for the next one month with due endorsement of the same in the *Roznamcha*. The Beat Constable shall record entries in his Beat Book as may be. No further orders are required at this stage. The petition is disposed off in the above terms.

NAJMI WAZIRI, J

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