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* IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI
+ W.P.(CRL) 3365/2018, CRL.M.A. 35520/2018
NAZIYA @ SHEETAL MAURYA & ANR. Petitioners

Through: Mr. Saurabh Jhamb and Mr. C.M.
Arif, Advocates.

versus

STATE & ORS. Respondents

Through: Mr. Murli Manohar Prajapat,
Advocate for Mr. Ranbir Singh
Kundu, ASC for State with SI
Mukesh Yadav, PS-Jagatpuri.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAJMI WAZIRI

ORDER

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01.11.2018

The petitioners claim to be legal adults and have married each other of their free volition. They have been living together but in fear of harm from respondent nos. 4 and 5, who are relatives of petitioner no. 1, because the said marriage is without the latter's consent and approval. However, Such an approval from respondent nos. 4 and 5 would not be necessary in law, for the petitioners to live together as a married couple. In view of the above, they seek protection from any harm to them from the said respondents.

The learned counsel for the State assures the Court that the matter shall be looked into by the SHO of the area concerned and the said respondents shall be duly sensitized to maintain peace, as well as to the fact that the legal adults have a right to make their own decision in choosing a life partner and nobody can interfere in the exercise of such right. Additionally, the petitioners shall be provided with telephone numbers of three police officers

from the jurisdiction of the concerned Police Station of which one shall be a lady police officer. These numbers shall be kept operational at all times so that any exigency can be intimated on either of the numbers by the petitioners. He further states that any message received on the said numbers or on any other telephone number of the police either by way of a telephone call or SMS shall be immediately responded to. Additionally, the Beat Constable/Division Staff of the area shall regularly visit the residence of the petitioners on a daily basis and report the same in the *Roznamcha*. The safety and security of the petitioners shall be assessed by the SHO on a weekly basis with due endorsement of the same in the *Roznamcha* for a month. The Beat Constable shall record entries in his Beat Book. The petitioners shall furnish their address in Delhi to the SHO concerned. The said address shall not be shared by the police with anybody else.

No further orders are required at this stage.

The petition stands disposed-off accordingly.

NAJMI WAZIRI, J

NOVEMBER 01, 2018

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