

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M No.7355 of 2019
Date of Decision:- 15.02.2019**

Pooja and anotherPetitioners

V/S

State of Punjab and othersRespondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present : Mr. Prashant Bansal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU J.

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking direction to respondent Nos. 1 to 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents No. 4 to 8.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 28.02.1997 and the date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 09.11.1996 and copies of Aadhar Card of both the petitioners to this effect are attached as Annexures P-1 and P-3 respectively.

It has been submitted that the marriage of the petitioners was solemnized on 11.02.2019 according to Sikh rites at Gurudwara Baba Deep Singh Ji Shaheed, Chandigarh Road, Rajpura. The marriage photographs and certificate of marriage are attached as Annexure P-4 and P-5, respectively. Private respondents No.4 to 8 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 11.02.2019 (Annexure P-6) to respondent No.2 seeking protection of their lives and liberty at the hands of the private respondents.

After hearing counsel for the petitioners and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the validity of the marriage and the age of the petitioners and keeping in view the binding precedent of the Hon'ble Apex Court in *Lata Singh v.State of U.P. And another, 2006(2) SCC (Criminal) 478*, the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 to look into the said issue and take necessary action in accordance with law.

(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE

15.02.2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether reportable	Yes/No