

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

CRM-M-9841 of 2019(O&M)

Date of Decision: 05.03.2019

Anju Singh and anr.

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

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Present: - Mr. Naveen Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking direction to respondents No.1 to 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents No. 4 to 7.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 17.08.1993 and petitioner No.2 is 04.02.1992. Copies of Aadhar Card of both the petitioners to this effect are attached as Annexures P-1 and P-2 respectively.

It has been submitted that the marriage of the petitioners was solemnized on 25.02.2019 as per Sikh rites and rituals. The marriage certificate and photographs of the marriage are attached as Annexures P-3 and P-4 respectively. Private respondents No. 4 to 7 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 25.02.2019 (Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2 seeking protection of their lives and liberty at the hands of the private respondents.

After hearing counsel for the parties 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 matter and take necessary action in accordance with law.

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(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/ reasoned:

Yes

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No