

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

**CRM-M-17607-2019
Decided on : 16.04.2019**

Shivani and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.S. SANDHAWALIA

Present : Ms. Nishi, Advocate for the petitioners.

G.S. Sandhawalia, J. (Oral)

In the present petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioners seek directions to provide protection to the life and liberty from the private respondents No. 4 to 7, who are relatives of petitioner No.1, on account of their marriage which has taken place on 13.04.2019 at Shri Aadi Shakti Ved Pathshala, 215, Mansa Devi Market, MDC, Sector-4, Panchkula. The marriage certificate and photographs of the marriage have been appended as Annexures P-3 and P-4, respectively.

The petitioners are stated to be major, as the year of birth of petitioner No.1 is 1998 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-1) and the date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 29.09.1983 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-2). It is submitted that the petitioner No.1 is Sikh by religion and the petitioner No.2 is Hindu.

A representation dated 13.04.2019 (Annexure P-5) has also been filed with respondent No.3 in this regard.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Avinit Avasthi, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/State. Copy of the paper-book has been supplied to him.

After hearing counsel for the petitioners, without commenting upon the validity/legality of the marriage or the age of the petitioners and in view of the binding precedent of the **Hon'ble Apex Court in Lata Singh Vs. State of U.P. and another 2006(2) SCC (Criminal) 478**, the present petition is disposed of with the direction to respondents No.2 & 3 to look into the above said representation filed by the petitioners and take appropriate action in accordance with law and provide protection, if so required.

APRIL 16, 2019
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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No