

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

**CWP No.29262 of 2019
Decided on : 04.10.2019**

Anita and another

... Petitioners

Versus

Union Territory of Chandigarh and others

... Respondents

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

Present : Mr. Deepak K. Bartia, Advocate for the petitioners.

G.S. Sandhawalia, J. (Oral)

In the present petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, the petitioners seek directions to provide protection to the life and liberty from the private respondents No. 4 to 6, who are relatives of petitioner No.1, on account of their marriage which has taken place on 03.10.2019 as per Hindu Rites and Ceremonies at Shree Aadi Shakti Ved Pathshala, Mansa Devi Complex, 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 date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 24.07.1994 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-1) and the date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 30.07.1988 as per Driving Licence (Annexure P-2 colly.). It has been averred that the petitioners belong to different caste as the petitioner No.1 belongs to Yadav Caste (OBC) and petitioner No.2 belongs to Lohar (Vishwakrama) Caste (OBC).

A representation dated 03.10.2019 (Annexure P-5) has also been moved to respondent No.2 in this regard.

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 respondent No.2 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.

OCTOBER 04, 2019
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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

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