

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

**Criminal Writ Petition No.1418 of 2019(O&M)
Date of Decision: December 03, 2019**

Seema and another ...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

--

Present: - Mr.Amjad Khan, Advocate
with the petitioners.

-

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking direction to respondent Nos.2 & 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondent Nos.4 to 9.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 12.10.1993 while petitioner No.2 was born in the year 1985. Copies of Aadhar Card of petitioner Nos.1 & 2 to this effect are attached as Annexures P-1 and P-2 respectively.

It has been submitted that the marriage (*Nikah*) of the petitioners was solemnized on 19.10.2019 according to Muslim Rites at Masjid Kale Khan, Village Rasoolpur, District Hoshiarpur. The Marriage Certificate is attached as Annexure P-3. Private respondent Nos.4 to 9 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated

27.11.2019 (Annexure P-4) to respondent No.2 seeking protection of their lives and liberty at the hands of the private respondent.

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.

December 03, 2019

(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE

gian

Whether Speaking / Reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable	Yes / No