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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-2380-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision: December 20, 2019

Komal and another ...Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr.Lajpat Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The present petition has been filed under Articles 226 of the Constitution of India seeking direction to respondent Nos. 2 and 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondent Nos. 4 to 6.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 07.02.1997 while petitioner No.2 was born in the year 1997. Copies of Secondary School Examination Certificate and 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 of the petitioners was solemnized on 17.12.2019 according to Sikh rites at Gurudwara Dashmesh Pita Patshahi Dashvi (Regd.), Village Singha Devi, Tehsil Kharar, District Mohali. The marriage Certificate and the photographs of marriage are attached as Annexure P-4 and Annexure P.5 (colly.) respectively. Private respondent Nos. 4 to 6 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 17.12.2019 (Annexure P-6) to respondent

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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.

December 20, 2019 **(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)**
Pardeep **JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned	**Yes**
Whether reportable	**Yes/No**

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