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* IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI
+ W.P.(CRL) 290/2019, CRL.M.A. 2001/2019
PARUL & ANOTHER Petitioners
Through: Mr. Vedant and Mr. Sunil Kr., Advs.
versus

GOVT. OF NCT Respondent
Through: Mr. Ashish Aggarwal, ASC for State
with SI Prem Pal Singh, P.S. Bhajanpura.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAJMI WAZIRI

ORDER
% 29.01.2019

The petitioners claim to be legal adults and have married each other of their free volition. The matrimony does not find favour with the parents of petitioner no. 1. They apprehend grave threat to their life, limb and liberty at the hands of their relatives, in particular, the private respondent. The amended Memo of Parties, which has been handed over to the Court and is taken on record. The petitioners seek protection from the physical harm and the oppressive threat.

The learned counsel for the State accepts notice and assures the Court that the matter shall be looked into by the SHO of the area concerned and the respondents will be duly sensitized about the rights of the petitioners and the imperative to maintain peace, as well as to the fact that, the right of a citizen to choose a life partner and to live in accordance with law is immutable constitutional right and the same cannot be curtailed or otherwise encumbered by any individual, and that the parents or relatives cannot interfere in

the exercise of such right. Additionally, the petitioners shall be provided with telephone numbers of three police officers from the jurisdiction of the concerned Police Station of which one shall be a lady police officer. These numbers shall be kept operational at all times so that any exigency can be intimated on either of the numbers by the petitioners. Mr. Farooqui further states that any message received on the said numbers or on any other telephone number of the police either by way of a telephone call or SMS shall be immediately responded to. Additionally, the Beat Constable/Division Staff of the area shall regularly visit the residence of the petitioners on a daily basis and report the same in the *Roznamcha*. The safety and security of the petitioners shall be assessed by the SHO on a weekly basis with due endorsement of the same in the *Roznamcha* for a month. The Beat Constable shall record entries in his Beat Book. The petitioners shall furnish their address in Delhi to the SHO concerned.\

The petitioners' latest telephone numbers have been furnished to the learned counsel for the State for due intimation to the Delhi Police. These telephone numbers and the address of the petitioners shall not be disclosed to any third party.

No further orders are required at this stage.

The petition stands disposed-off accordingly.

A copy of this order be given *dasti* to the learned counsel for the parties under the signature of the Court Master.

NAJMI WAZIRI, J

JANUARY 29, 2019/acm