

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

**CRWP No.29 of 2020
Decided on:03.01.2020**

Anita and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

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

Present : Mr. Brahminder Singh Toor, Advocate
for the petitioners.

G.S. Sandhawalia, J. (Oral)

In the present petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, 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 01.01.2020 as per Hindu rites and ceremonies. 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 02.02.1999 as per her college Identity Card (Annexure P-1) and the date of birth of petitioner No.2 of year 1997 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-2). It has been averred that petitioner No.2 is doing business of catering and earning handsome salary.

A representation dated 01.01.2020 (Annexure P-5) has also been filed with respondent No.2 in this regard.

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Ms. Bhavna Gupta, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/State. Copy of the paper-book has been supplied to her.

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.

03.01.2020
Parveen

(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

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