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

Sr. No.116

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Date of Decision: 14.01.2020

MANDEEP KAUR AND ANOTHER

....Petitioners

VS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ARCHANA PURI

Present: Mr. Mihardeep Singh, Advocate, for
Mr. Mohit Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

ARCHANA PURI, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed by the petitioners for issuance of directions to respondent No.2 and 3 to protect the lives and personal liberty of the petitioners as they apprehend danger to their lives at the instance of respondents No.4 to 7.

In the petition, it is averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 21.08.1997 and that of petitioner No.2 is 10.04.1998. To substantiate their plea of age, affidavits have also been annexed. The petitioners claim to have performed marriage on 08.01.2020 at Gurdwara Guru Nanak Niwas Sahib, Village Karor Kalan, Tehsil Kharar, District Mohali, against the wishes of the parents and the relatives of petitioner No.1. Now, they are facing threat to the live from parents and other family members of petitioner No.1. Besides placing on record the photographs relating to the ceremonies of the marriage being performed, also copy of marriage certificate issued by the concerned Gurdwara Sahib has been

annexed. To substantiate their claim, affidavit of petitioner No.1 has

also been filed.

Mr. Randeep Partap Singh, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

In view of the same, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent Nos.2 and 3 to look into the matter, and if they find that there is genuine apprehension of danger to the lives and personal liberty of the petitioners, then they are directed to take appropriate steps to ensure their protection in the fitness of the circumstances.

However, these observations of mine are circumscribed, only for the purposes of disposal of the present petition, without prejudice of the rights of the parties, to be adjudicated qua the question of age or validity of marriage, in any civil or criminal proceedings.

Accordingly, the petition stands disposed of.

(ARCHANA PURI)
JUDGE

January 14, 2020.

Himanshu

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No