

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

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**CRWP No.7391 of 2020
Decided on :18.09.2020**

Deepika and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

... Respondents

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

Present : Mr. Amit Jaiswal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Anant Kataria, DAG, Haryana.

(The proceedings are being conducted through
video conferencing as per instructions.)

G.S. Sandhawalia, J. (Oral)

In the present petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, the petitioners seek directions to provide protection to the life and liberty from the private respondents Nos.4 to 8, who are relatives of petitioner No.1, on account of their marriage which has taken place on 14.09.2020 as per Hindu rites and rituals at Bhartiya Balmiki Dharam Samaj (Regd. No.1207), Branch Ambala City, District Ambala. The marriage certificate and photographs of marriage have been appended as Annexures P-3 and P-4.

The date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 16.06.2001 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-1) and the date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 01.01.1991 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-2).

A representation dated 14.09.2020 (Annexure P-5) has also

been filed with respondent No.2 in this regard. It is averred that both the petitioners belong to OBC (Prajapat caste) and petitioner No.2 is having his own taxi and earning about Rs.20,000/- per month.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Anant Kataria, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/State.

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 Nos.2 and 3 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.

18.09.2020

Parveen

(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No