

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-10481-2020

Date of decision : 16.12.2020

Manpreet Kaur and another

..... Petitioner (s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondent (s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr. H.P.S. Ishar, Advocate
for petitioners.

Mr. M.S. Nagra, Assistant A.G. Punjab.

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HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The case is taken up through video conferencing on account of COVID 2019.

The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of 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 respondents No. 4 to 11.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No. 1 is 10.7.2000 while date of birth of petitioner No. 2 is 23.12.1990. Copies of Aadhar Cards showing date of birth of petitioner No. 1 and petitioner No. 2 are attached as Annexures P-1 and P-2 respectively. A duly sworn affidavit of petitioner No. 2 stating that this is his first marriage is attached as Annexure P-3.

It has been submitted that the marriage of the petitioners was solemnized on 12.12.2020 according to Sikh rites at Gurudwara Guru Nanak Niwas Sahib, Village Karor Kalan, Tehsil Kharar, District Mohali. The marriage certificate is attached as Annexure P-4. Private respondents No. 4 to 11 are opposing to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 12.12.2020 (Annexure P-5) addressed amongst other to respondent No. 2 Senior Superintendent of Police Bathinda, District Bathinda 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

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Lata Singh Versus 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.

(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE

16.12.2020

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Whether reasoned order : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No