

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

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**CRWP NO. 4797 of 2021
Date of decision :26.05.2021**

Pardeep Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr. Deepanshu Mehta, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking direction to respondent Nos.2 & 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondent Nos.4 to 15.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 14.07.2002 while date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 11.10.1996. Copies of Aadhar Cards of petitioner Nos.1 & 2 to this effect are attached as Annexures P-1 and P-2 respectively.

It has been submitted that the marriage of the petitioners was solemnized on 24.05.2021 according to Sikh Rites at Gurudwara Dashmesh Pitha Patshahi Dasvi, Village Singa Devi, Tehsil Kharar, District SAS Nagar, Mohali. The photographs of marriage and the marriage Certificate are attached as Annexure P-5 (colly.). Private respondent Nos.4 to 15 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 24.05.2021 (Annexure P-6) to respondent Nos. 2 and 3 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 Lata Singh v. State of U.P. And another, 2006(2) SCC (Criminal) 478, the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondents No.2 and 3 to look into the said issue and take necessary action in accordance with law.

26.05.2021

Rajeev (rvs)

(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No