

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

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**CRWP No.4879 of 2021
Decided on : 28.05.2021**

Aarushi Jain and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

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

Present: Mr. Amandeep Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

(The proceedings have been conducted through video
conferencing, as per instructions.)

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 Nos. 4 & 5, who are relatives of petitioner No.1, on account of their marriage which has taken place on 24.05.2021 at Gurudwara Guru Nanak Niwas Sahib, Village Karor Kalan, Tehsil Kharar, District Mohali, as per Sikh rites and rituals.

The marriage certificate has been appended as Annexure P-3. The date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 18.01.1997 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-1) The date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 04.02.1996 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-2). It is stated that the petitioners belong to different community and, therefore, it is a case of inter-caste marriage.

A representation dated 24.05.2021 (Annexure P-4) has also been filed with respondent No.2 in this regard.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Sarabjit Singh Cheema, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents No.1 to 3/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 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.

In case there is any material concealment about any of the facts mentioned in the petition, it will be open to any of the parties to bring the same to the notice of this Court then this order will be liable to be withdrawn.

May 28, 2021
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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No