

S.No.124

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

CRWP No.8537 of 2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision:09.09.2021

Chano Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present:- Mr. Digvijay Nagpal, Advocate for the petitioners.

Harinder Singh Sidhu, J.

The present petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking direction to respondents No.1 to 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 9.

It has been averred that the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 01.01.1999 and date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 31.12.1996 and copies of Adhaar Card of the petitioners to this effect are attached as as Annexures P-1 and P-2 respectively.

It has been submitted that the marriage of the petitioners was solemnised on 06.09.2021 according to Hindu rites at Prachin Pashupatinath Shiv Mandir, M.D.C. Sector 6, Panchkula. The marriage certificate is attached as Annexure P.3.. Private respondents No.4 to 9 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 06.09.2021 (Annexure P.4) to respondent No.2 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 respondent No.2 to look into the said issue and take necessary action in accordance with law.

September 09, 2021
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(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No