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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-3535-2022(O&M)
Date of decision: April 20, 2022

Priya and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr.Shubham, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr.Saurabh Girdhar, AAG, Haryana.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

This Criminal Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking direction to respondent Nos.2 and 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners from private respondents No.4 to 8.

It has been averred that the petitioner No.1 is above 19 years and petitioner No.2 is aged about 24 years. 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 14.04.2022 according to Hindu rites and ceremonies at Prachin Pashupati Nath Shiv Mandir (Regd.), Sector-4, Panchkula, Haryana.

The Marriage Certificate and the photographs of marriage are attached as Annexure P-3 and P-4, respectively. Private respondents No.4 to 8 are opposed to the marriage, as the petitioners had performed the marriage without their consent. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 15.04.2022 (Annexure P-5) 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 a request to respondent No.2 to look into the said issue and take necessary action in accordance with law.

April 20, 2022
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(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking / Reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable	Yes / No