

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

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CRWP No. 5765 of 2022

Date of decision: 14.06.2022

Poonam Rani and another

....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondent(s)

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

Present: Dr.Govinder Singh Brar, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr.A.A.Pathak, Addl.A.G., Punjab.

G.S.SANDHAWALIA, J. (Oral)

In the 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 respondent No.4 & 5, who are relatives of petitioner No.1, on account of their marriage, which has taken place on 09.06.2022 as per Hindu Rites and ceremonies at Pracheen Guga Mari Ramakrishna Mandir, Sector 19-D, Chandigarh. The marriage certificate has been appended as Annexure P-3.

The petitioners are stated to be major, as the date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 15.02.2003 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-1) and the date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 04.03.1992 as per Aadhaar Card (Annexure P-2). A representation dated 09.06.2022 (Annexure P-4) has also been filed with respondent No.2 in this regard.

Notice of motion.

Mr. A.A. Pathak, Addl.AG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/State. Copy of the paper-book be supplied to him during the course of the day.

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 respondents No.2 & 3 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be open to any of the parties to bring the same to the notice of this Court and then this order will be liable to be withdrawn.

14.06.2022
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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No