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

(242)

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Date of Decision:-04.12.2023

Kamaldeep Kaur and Anr.

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and Ors.

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

Present: Ms. Hasan Kaur, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Kamalpreet Bawa, AAG, Punjab.

ALOK JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioners under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents No.2 and 3 not to harass the petitioners at the instance of respondents No.4 to 7.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners prays for withdrawal of the present petition.

3. However, vide order dated 19.05.2023, the State was directed to furnish information as to whether any action is proposed to be taken against the priest who solemnized marriage of the petitioners despite the fact that petitioner No.2 was not of marriageable age.

4. In light of the above, the present petition is dismissed as withdrawn with direction to respondents No.2 Senior Superintendent of Police District Patiala, Punjab and respondent No.3-SHO Police Station

Julka, District Patiala, Punjab to take appropriate action against the said priest for solemnizing the marriage, which is against the provisions of law.

5. It is made clear that filing or pendency of this petition or any order/direction passed in this petition shall not be an *alibi* or defence to the petitioners, in case, they are found involved in any illegal activity and /or in violation of any qua which the respondent-Authorities shall take appropriate action, in accordance with law.

(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE

December 04, 2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned:-	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:-	Yes/No