

HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT SRINAGAR

WP (C) No. 2053/2025
CM No. 5436/2025.

SHAKEENA BANO AND ANR.

...Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. Mir Aamir, Advocate.

V/S

UNION TERRITORY OF J AND K AND ORS.

...Respondent(s)

Through: Mr. Illyas Nazir Laway, GA.

Coram:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJNESH OSWAL, JUDGE.

ORDER
22.08.2025.

01. The petitioners seek a direction to respondents to provide them the police protection as they apprehend danger to their lives from the relatives of petitioner No.1. It is submitted that the petitioners are major and out of their free will they got married. Copy of Nikah Nama has been placed on record. They submit that since they have contracted the marriage against the wishes of relatives of petitioner No.1, as such, they are facing harassment at the hands of relatives of petitioner No.1.

02. Learned counsel for the petitioners refers to the decision of the Supreme Court in ***Lata Singh v. State of U.P. and anr.; 2006 (5) SCC 475***, and submits that in absence of there being any legal impediment, the petitioners are entitled to marry according to their choice and the official respondents are duty bound to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners.

03. Keeping in view the grievance of the petitioners, the petition can be disposed of without issuance of notice to respondents with the direction to the official respondents to look into the grievance of the petitioners of providing them adequate security, if they approach them, and accordingly take necessary measures in the matter. Ordered accordingly. It is made clear that no opinion has been expressed with regard to the age of the petitioners or with regard to the validity of marriage of the petitioners.

04. **Disposed of.**

(Rajnesh Oswal)
Judge

SRINAGAR
22.08.2025.
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