HIGH COURT OF UTTARAKHAND AT NAINITAL

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE SRI G.NARENDAR

AND

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE SUBHASH UPADHYAY

Writ Petition Criminal No. 1630 of 2025

5th December, 2025

Shraddha Rani and another ----------Petitioners

Versus

State of Uttarakhand and others ----------Respondents

Presence:-

Mr. Gaurav Singh, learned counsel for the petitioners.
Mr. J.S.Virk, learned Deputy Advocate General, assisted by Mr. Rakesh Joshi, Brief Holder for the State.

JUDGMENT: (per Mr. G. Narendar C.J.)

Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned Deputy Advocate General for the State of Uttarakhand.

2. It is submitted that both the petitioners belong to the same faith, and that the petitioners developed a liking for each other, which has ended in marriage, and now both the petitioners are living together. Since the family members of the first petitioner are against this marriage, they are giving out

threats to kill both the petitioners. Petitioners submit that they are facing stiff resistance, and they seriously apprehend threat to their life and limb from the family members of the first petitioner, and hence they are before this Court praying for protection.

3. The documents on record reveal that both the petitioners are major, and it is also submitted by the counsel for the petitioners that the parties have performed marriage according to Hindu rituals on 25.11.2025 at Shiv Mandir Kachhari Parisar Roshnabad, District Haridwar.

4. In that view of the matter, and in view of the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case **of *Lata Singh Vs State of U.P. and another, (2006) 5 SCC 475***, the petitioners have made out a case for grant of protection.

5. The Station House Officer, Police Station SIDCUL, District Haridwar is directed to assess the threat, if any, to the life and limb of the petitioners, and provide necessary protection, if it is found that there is a threat to the life and limb of the petitioners. The SHO is further directed to summon the private respondents, and such other persons, who are inimically placed

towards the marriage of the petitioners, and counsel them, in accordance with law.

6. The writ petition stands ordered accordingly.

As a sequel thereto, the miscellaneous petitions, if any pending, shall stand closed.

(G. NARENDAR, C.J.)

(Subhash Upadhyay, J.)

Dated: 05.12.2025
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