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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(CRL) 1069/2026 & CRL.M.A. 10072/2026**

SEJAL & ANR.

.....Petitioners

Through: Mr. Neeraj Kumar, Mr. Ram Kumar
and HS Hans and Ms. Heena Khan,
Advocates with petitioners in person.

versus

STATE NCT OF DELHI & ORS.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Anand V Khatri, ASC (Crl) for
State with Mr. Adeitya Khatri,
Advocate with SI Himanshu, PS:
Alipur, Delhi.

CORAM:

HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE SWARANA KANTA SHARMA

ORDER

02.04.2026

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1. By way of this writ petition, the petitioners seek issuance of direction to respondent no. 1/State to provide adequate protection to them from respondent no.3 and the family members of petitioner no. 1.
2. Issue notice. The learned ASC accepts notice on behalf of the State.
3. This Court has heard the learned counsel for the petitioners as well as the learned Additional Standing Counsel for State/respondent no. 1.
4. Facts of the case, as set out in the petition, are that the petitioner no. 1 and 2 belong to different castes, and having been in a romantic relationship, they wanted to marry each other. However, the parents and family members of the petitioner no. 1 were not ready to accept this relation. Owing to their opposition, the petitioner no. 1 left her parental house and thereafter, the petitioners solemnized their marriage between themselves on 19.01.2026 as per Hindu rites and ceremonies. It is stated that due to continuous



harassment by respondent no. 3 and the family members of petitioner no. 1, the petitioners had lodged a complaint at PS Alipur, Delhi, however, no action has been taken by them.

5. The petitioners are present before this Court in person who state that they are major and they got married each other with their free consent. Petitioner no. 1 states that she is living peacefully with petitioner no. 2.

6. This Court notes that the petitioners have *inter alia* prayed for protection of their lives from the respondent no. 3 and the family members of petitioner no. 1. The right to life and liberty is a cherished Fundamental Right guaranteed by the Constitution of India and the instant case merits a careful indulgence of this Court in ensuring the same.

7. Keeping in view the sensitivity of the present matter and submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioners, the petitioners are directed to provide their contact numbers to the concerned SHO and Beat Constable. The concerned officers are also directed to provide the contact numbers of Beat Constable and SHO concerned to the petitioners, and provide necessary assistance to them as per law, in case the need so arises.

8. In view of the above, the learned counsel for the petitioner states that he is satisfied with the above arrangement.

9. It is clarified that this order will not be considered as any reflection on the merit of any dispute, pending between the parties.

10. Accordingly, the present petition stands disposed of.

11. The order be uploaded on the website forthwith.

DR. SWARANA KANTA SHARMA, J

APRIL 02, 2026/vc/td