

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU**

WP(C) No. 1439/2023
CM No. 3436/2023

Saima Jan and Anr.

....Petitioner(s)

Through :- Mr. Masood Chowdhary, Advocate.
Petitioners are present in person.

V/s

UT of J&K and Ors.

....Respondent(s)

Through :- Ms. Priyanka Bhat, Advocate vice
Ms. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG.

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV KUMAR, JUDGE

ORDER
02.06.2023.

1. The grievance of the petitioners is that being majors, they have solemnized their marriage on 23.05.2023 with their free will and without any pressure, threat or coercion. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the respondent Nos. 4 to 5 are continuously harassing and threatening the petitioners of dire consequences, despite knowing the fact that the petitioners have solemnized their marriage. The petitioners have raised an apprehension of a threat to their life at the hands of private respondents. The petitioners have placed on record the copies certificates to show their age proofs. The petitioners have also placed on record the copy of marriage agreement.

2. After hearing the learned counsel for the petitioners and considering the aforesaid fact, the present petition can be disposed of with the observation that in case the life and liberty of the petitioners is at threat, they shall be at liberty to approach the respondent No. 3 i.e., SHO Police Station, Nowshera, Rajouri who

shall take appropriate steps after proper verification of their age proofs, to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners. It is made clear that the order passed by this Court shall not, however, be construed as expression of opinion with regard to the approval or dis-approval of the marriage of the petitioners.

3. The writ petition is, accordingly, **disposed of**.

(Sanjeev Kumar)
Judge

Jammu:
02.06.2023.
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