

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

WP(C ) No. 1340/2023

**Shaheena Bano & Anr.**

... Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. Suhail Ahmad Dar, Advocate.

Vs

**U. T. of J&K & Ors.**

... Respondent(s)

Through:

**CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MOKSHA KHAJURIA KAZMI, JUDGE**

**ORDER**

**26.06.2023**

1. Petitioners claim that they, being major, have contracted marriage out of their free will and are living as husband and wife, but are apprehensive to be subjected to physical violence and harassment at hands of their relatives, as petitioners have contracted marriage against their wishes. Petitioners, therefore, seek protection and security cover from respondents.
2. Heard and perused the file. Perusal of record annexed with writ petition reveals that petitioners are major and have contracted marriage according to Muslim Personal Law, rites and customs.
3. Keeping in view the prayer made, writ petition is disposed of with a direction to official respondents to provide adequate security cover to petitioners and act in accordance with the law laid down by the Supreme Court in *Lata Singh v. State of U. P. (2006) 5 SCC 475*, and *Shakti Vahini v. Union of India and others AIR 2018 SC 1601*.
4. **Disposed of** along with connected CM.

**(MOKSHA KHAJURIA KAZMI)**  
**JUDGE**

**SRINAGAR**  
 26<sup>th</sup>, June, 2023.  
*"Ab. Rashid"*