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**Press Release**

**Chandigarh, March 4:- Department of Social Welfare, Chandigarh Administration today solemnized the marriage of an inmate of Nari Niketan 'Sonika'. This girl Sonika was a lost Child and was brought to Nari Niketan which became her home from the year 1999. She was provided informal education by the Department and being foster parent, the Department was looking for suitable match since long, so that, the girl could lead a normal life. In May 2009 the Department released a matrimonial in a leading Newspaper and in response to this matrimonial the Department received a number of proposals. After verifying these proposals, Mr. Amandeep was thought to be the suitable match for the girl Sonika. Mr. Amandeep is an employee and is living in Sector-23, Chandigarh.**

**The marriage was solemnized in Arya Samaj Mandir, Sector-7, Chandigarh and the Social Welfare Department along with some NGO's namely Women and Child Care Society, Sai Tara Umat Foundation, Don Bosco Navjeevan, Arya Samaj Istri Sabha, Mr. and Mrs. Pritpal Singh, Honorary Director and Mrs. Manju Bhalla solemnized this marriage jointly. The role of father for the Kanyadan was done Mr. Sudhir Jain, Company Secretary.**

**Mrs. Babita Verma, wife of Mr. Ram Niwas, Home Secretary was also present to bless the newly wed couple. She appreciated the spirit of Social Welfare Department in arranging this marriage after almost a decade. Giving out best wishes to the couple, Director Social Welfare, Mr. Samwartak Singh said that a new chapter of their life is going to begin and they need to support each other in order to lead a happy married life.**