

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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CRM-M-37525-2018

Date of Decision: August 29, 2018

Paramjeet Kaur and another

.....Petitioner(s)

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. Hazara Singh Virk, Advocate for the petitioners.

Sudhir Mittal, J. (Oral)

The petitioners are in a live-in-relationship and they fear for their lives and liberty at the hands of their relatives respondents No.4 to 7.

2. Petitioner No.1 is major and petitioner No.2 is stated to be 19 years of age and the same is proved by their Aadhar Cards (Anneuxre P-1 and P-2) and they have the right to live their lives the way they desire. The father of petitioner No.1 cannot force her to marry a person of his choice nor can he force her to leave petitioner No.2.

3. In view of above, without commenting upon the legality of relationship between the petitioner, I deem it appropriate to direct respondent No.2 to ensure that life and liberty of the petitioners be protected by providing them adequate protection after carrying out a threat assessment and as and when deemed appropriate. The representation (Annexure P-3) already made as well as the facts mentioned in this petition shall be kept in mind by him.

4. The petition is accordingly disposed of.

5. However, in case any offence has been committed by either of the petitioners, this order would not come in the way of their criminal prosecution.

August 29, 2018

**[SUDHIR MITTAL]
JUDGE**

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High Court Chandigarh

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether Reportable : No