

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No.109

CRM-M-9602-2019 (O&M)
Date of decision : 1.3.2019

Komal Mehta @ Komal and another

..... Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. APS Srawaan, Advocate, for the petitioners.

SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 seeking protection for the life and personal liberty of the petitioners. Petitioners are in a live-in-relationship and they fear for their lives and liberty at the hands of relatives of petitioner No.2.

Notice of motion. Mr. K.S. Sidhu, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State of Punjab-respondent.

The petitioners are major as is evident from their documents Annexures P-1 and P-2 and as such they are at liberty to lead their lives according to their volition and the private respondents No.4 and 5, have no right to interfere therein.

In view of above and without commenting upon the relationship of the petitioners, I deem it appropriate to direct respondent No.2 to ensure that life and liberty of the petitioners is 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.

The petition is accordingly disposed of.

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.

(SUDHIR MITTAL)
JUDGE

1.3.2019
Ramandeep Singh
Whether speaking / reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes / No
Yes/ No