

**In the High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

CRWP-2169-2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision:- 27.2.2020

Punam Devi and another ... Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others ... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Amit Kohar, Advocate, for the petitioners.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

The petitioners have approached this Court seeking issuance of direction to respondents No.2 and 3 so as to protect their lives and personal liberty.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that petitioner No.1 was married to respondent No.4 but respondent No.4 was a drunkard and used to give beatings to petitioner No.1 and also to their two minor children. Learned counsel has further submitted that petitioner No.1 and petitioner No.2 were both working in same mill/factory namely M/s Baba Bhuri Singh Paper Board, Mawana Road, Village Saini, Incholi, Near by Unakpur Road, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh, wherein they fell in love with each other about 10 years back and have now been residing together since the year 2016 at Yamuna Nagar.

It has further been submitted that in fact petitioner No.2 is also married having five children from his marriage but has chosen to reside with

petitioner No.1 in a 'live-in relationship'. It has been submitted that respondent No.4 i.e. husband of petitioner No.1 and respondent No.5 who is a friend of respondent No.4 are however threatening to eliminate the petitioners and although both of the petitioners have submitted a representation dated 20.2.2020 (Annexure P-3) to Superintendent of Police, Yamuna Nagar but no decision has been taken upon the same so far.

Without commenting upon the validity of the relationship between the petitioners, it goes without saying that the petitioners in any case are entitled to live safely and securely. The petition, as such is disposed of with a direction to Superintendent of Police, District Yamuna Nagar, Haryana (respondent No.2) to look into the matter and to examine the alleged threat perception of the petitioners. In case there is any imminent threat to the life and liberty of the petitioners, then it be ensured that no harm is caused to the petitioners.

It is however, clarified that the aforesaid order is not to be inferred as any kind of immunity upon the petitioners, in case it is found that they have committed any wrong.

A copy of this order be sent to Superintendent of Police, District Yamuna Nagar, Haryana (respondent No.2), so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.

February 27, 2020
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(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking /reasoned Yes / No

Whether Reportable Yes / No