

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

**CRWP No.8127 of 2020
Date of decision:08.10.2020**

Gagandeep Kaur and another ... Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others ... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

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

SUVIR SEHGAL, J. (Oral)

The Court has been convened through video conferencing due to Covid-19 pandemic.

Gagandeep Kaur daughter of Veeru Singh (petitioner No.1) claims to be 22 years and Satgur Singh son of Bira Singh (petitioner No.2) claims to be 36 years of age. They have pleaded that they are in live-in-relationship against the wishes of respondents No.3 and 4 and seek protection of their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No.3 and 4. The petitioners have submitted a representation Annexure P-3 to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur.

Petitioner No.1 is already married to respondent No.4-Gurdeep Singh, however, due to ill-treatment and harassment, she left the matrimonial home and started living with petitioner No.2.

The marriage of petitioner No.1 with respondent No.4 is subsisting. In view of the above, the present petition is not maintainable.

The Co-ordinate Bench of this Court, vide order dated 14.05.2019 passed in CRM-M-21763-2019, *Dimple and another Versus State of Haryana and others*, in similar situation, had directed that in case the petitioners fear any threat to their life and liberty they may approach the Senior Superintendent of Police, who will consider their request.

Accordingly, it is directed that if the petitioners approach the police authorities, they shall independently assess the threat perception, if any to their life and liberty and may provide the required protection.

However, it is also made clear that this order shall not be taken to validate the alleged relationship of the petitioners or entitle them for any protection against their arrest or continuance of any criminal proceedings, if they are found involved in the commission of any cognizable offence. In case, the petitioners have committed any offence, the law will take its own course.

With the abovesaid observations and directions, the present petition stands disposed of.

(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No