

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-8783-2020

Date of decision : 23.10.2020

Anita Kumari and another

... Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH**

Present: Mr. Pankaj Garg, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

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**KARAMJIT SINGH, J.(Oral)**

Case has been heard through video conferencing on account of COVID-19 Pandemic.

The petitioners have filed the present petition seeking direction to respondents No.2 and 3 to provide protection to their life and liberty from the hands of respondents No.4 to 7.

It is the case of the petitioners that petitioner No.1 got married with respondent No.4-Om Parkash but thereafter, they started living separately due to matrimonial dispute. Finally, petitioner No.1 started living with petitioner No.2 who is already married.

The marriages of both the petitioners are subsisting and they are in live-in-relationship with each other. In view of the above, the present petition is not maintainable. The coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 18.2.2020 passed in CRWP-957-2020 titled Parvinder Kaur and another v. State of Haryana and others, in similar situation, had directed that in case the petitioners are having threat to their life and liberty, they may approach the police authority who will consider their request. Accordingly,

authorities, they shall assess the threat perception, if any, to their life and liberty and may provide required protection, if so necessary.

However, it is made clear that this order shall not in any manner validate the alleged relationship of the petitioners or entitle them any protection against the legal action. In case the petitioners have committed any offence, the law will take its own course.

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

October 23, 2020  
Paritosh Kumar

( KARAMJIT SINGH)  
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned  
Whether reportable

Yes/No  
Yes/No