

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH.**

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**CRM-W-345-2021 in/and
CRWP No.2146-2021.
Date of Decision: 10.03.2021.**

Vishakha and another	Versus	Petitioners.
State of Haryana and others		Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE LALIT BATRA

Present: Mr. Ravi Rana, Advocate for applicants/petitioners.

Lalit Batra, J.(Oral)

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This application under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for placing on record affidavit of petitioners showing their marital status prior to their instant live-in relationship.

Affidavit of petitioners showing their marital status prior to their instant live-in relationship, is taken on record, subject to all just exceptions.

Application is allowed.

Main Case

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This is a petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ especially in the nature of Mandamus directing respondents No.2 and 3 not to harass the petitioners at the instance

Petitioners have sought protection of their life and liberty, *inter alia*, taking the plea that they are in live-in relationship against the wishes of private respondents and now they are apprehending danger to their life and liberty from private respondents.

Notice of motion to respondents No. 1 to 3 only.

At the asking of Court, Mr. Vikrant Pamboo, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. Complete copy of paperbook has been supplied to him.

Having considered the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioners and perusal of record, respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Karnal, District Karnal, is directed to consider the representation dated 01.03.2021 (Annexure P/3) and issue necessary orders, as warranted by law, so as to ensure that no harm is caused to the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents.

However, it is also made clear that this order shall not be taken to entitle the petitioners 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 had committed any offence, the law will take its own course.

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

(LALIT BATRA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No
Whether Reportable : Yes/ No