

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

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**CRWP-2453-2021(O&M)
Decided on : 10.03.2021**

SAHIL MASIH AND ANOTHER

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

(Through Video Conferencing)

Present: Mr. Bikramjit Singh Baath, Advocate
for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondents No.1 to 3, to provide protection of life and liberty to the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 to 12.

2. The brief facts of the case as pleaded in the petition, succinctly are that family members of both the petitioners were averse to their relationship, as a result of which, the petitioners ran away and have now decided to be in a live-in relationship. The private respondents have thereafter been threatening the petitioners with dire consequences.

3. In the circumstances, petitioners approached respondents No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Gurdaspur and respondent No.3-Station House Officer, Ghuman Kalan, District Gurdaspur vide representation dated 04.03.2021 (Annexure P-5), seeking protection of their life and liberty, but in vain.

4. Notice of motion.

5. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG Punjab, who is appearing through video conferencing, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

6. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.2 – Sr. Superintendent of Police, District Gurdaspur, to look into the representation dated 04.03.2021(Annexure P-5) qua the alleged threat perception, and take necessary steps, if any required, in accordance with law, to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents. However, it is clarified that this order will have no effect on any civil or criminal action, which could be initiated in the matter, nor would it be taken to be a stamp of this Court qua the legitimacy or otherwise of the relationship between the petitioners.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

March 10, 2021

S.Sharma(syr)

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