

CRWP-5247-2021

Date of Decision: 09.06.2021

AARTI AND ANOTHER ... PETITIONERS

VS.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS .. RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI

Present : Mr.Manpreet Singh Dua, Advocate, for the petitioners.

VIVEK PURI, J.(ORAL)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing due to COVID-19 pandemic.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has placed reliance upon an order passed by this Court in CRM-M No.21763 of 2019 titled as “*Dimple and another Versus State of Haryana and others*”.

The petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India has been filed for issuance of directions to the official respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners and provide security to them.

As per the allegations, both the petitioners have attained the age of majority. Petitioner No.1 is married with respondent No.4 and the marriage is still subsisting. Respondent No.4 is an addict and has been given beatings and harassing petitioner No.1 which forced her to leave the matrimonial house. She has taken support from petitioner No.2.

It has been stated by learned counsel for the petitioners that petitioners are in live-in-relationship.

Notice of motion to the official respondents.

Mr. Sidakmeet Singh Sandhu, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

Without dilating further, suffice is to say that the Court is primarily concerned with the petitioners' right to protect their lives and liberty against any perceived threat at the instance of third party as such right has been guaranteed to them as per Article 21 of the Constitution of India.

It is fairly considered by learned counsel for the petitioners that they will be satisfied in the event the adequate directions are issued for their protection and safety and appropriate action is initiated on the representation dated 03.06.2021 (Annexure P-3), which has already been submitted to respondent No.2.

Accordingly, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka to look into the grievance of the petitioners as projected in the representation dated 03.06.2021 (Annexure P-3).

However, this order is not construed as any expression to validate the relationship of the petitioners or upon any Civil and Criminal proceedings.

Disposed of accordingly.

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JUDGE

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