

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

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CRWP-6447-2021

Date of Decision : 13.07.2021

Paramjeet Kaur and another

.... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Ms. A.S.Samra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The case is taken up through video conferencing on account of COVID 2019.

The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution seeking direction to respondent Nos.2 and 3 to provide protection to the lives and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondent Nos.4 to 9.

It has been averred that petitioner No.1 is aged about 35 years and petitioner No.2 is aged about 21 years. The date of birth of petitioner No.1 is 01.01.1985 while date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 02.06.2001. Copies of Aadhar Cards of petitioner Nos.1 & 2 to this effect are attached as Annexures P-1 and P-2 respectively.

It is stated that petitioner No.1 is already married. However, she has been maltreated by her husband because of which she has left the

matrimonial home. There is no child from the said marriage. After leaving the matrimonial home, petitioner No.1 started residing with petitioner No.2. Now, the petitioners are living together in a live-in relationship. Parents and other relatives of petitioner No.1 are unhappy with this relationship, therefore, the petitioners apprehend danger to their lives at the hands of private respondents. In this regard, the petitioners have submitted representation dated 10.07.2021 (Annexure P-3) to respondent No.2 seeking protection of their lives and liberty at the hands of the private respondents.

After hearing counsel for the petitioners and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the legal status of the relationship of the petitioners the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 to look into the said representation with regard to safeguarding life and liberty of the petitioners and take necessary action as may be necessary, in accordance with law.

It is clarified that this order is limited to protection of life and liberty of the petitioners. It does not and cannot confer immunity to the petitioners from any legal action at the hands of spouse of petitioner No.2 and her rights/obligations/responsibilities arising out of her subsisting marriage.

(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned **Yes/No**

Whether Reportable **Yes/No**