

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Sr.No.113

CRWP No.6766 of 2021

Date of Decision: 23rd July, 2021.

Pooja & Another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana & Others

...Respondents

(Heard through Video-Conferencing)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA

Present: Mr. Naveen Kashyap, Advocate for the petitioners.

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MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA, J. (ORAL)

Both the petitioners have joined hands to prefer this petition for seeking the relief of the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No.1 to 3 to protect their lives and liberty as they apprehend threat to the same at the hands of respondents No.4 to 6 because they (petitioners) are living in relationship. It has also been mentioned in this petition that a representation (Annexure P-3) has already been moved to respondent No.2 in this regard.

Mr. S.S.Pannu, learned Deputy Advocate General, Haryana, has joined the proceedings on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 in this case in pursuance of the copies of this petition having been sent to the respondent-State in advance.

Heard.

Learned counsel for the petitioners restricts his prayer to the issuance of a direction to respondent No.2 to look into and to take

appropriate action on the said representation of the petitioners, i.e. Annexure P-3.

Learned State counsel has no objection for the same.

It is pertinent to mention here that as per the copy of the Aadhar Card of petitioner No.1-Pooja, her date of birth is 01.01.2003 and the exact date, when the petitioners started living together in relationship, has not been disclosed throughout in this petition.

However, keeping in view the intent of the fundamental right enshrined in Article 21 of the Constitution of India which ensures the protection of life and liberty to the citizens and without commenting or expressing any opinion on the validity and legality of the relationship between the petitioners, respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Karnal, is hereby directed to look into the said representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-3) and if it is found that the petitioners genuinely deserve any protection, then to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

It is further clarified that this order shall not be construed to be a shield to the petitioners against any proceedings already initiated or intended/contemplated to be initiated by the competent authority/person on account of their said relationship and permissible under any relevant provisions of law.

This petition stands disposed of accordingly.

23.07.2021.
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(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned?	Yes/No
Whether Reportable?	Yes/No

