

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

**116**

**CRWP-8085-2021**

Date of decision : 26.08.2021.

Soni Kumari and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

**CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL**

Present:- Mr. Arjun Veer Sharma, Advocate for the petitioners.

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**Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)**

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioners are seeking a direction to the official respondents to protect their life and liberty as they have been threatened by the private respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners, who are major, are in a live-in-relationship and they have an apprehension that the private respondents might cause physical harm to them. He has drawn my attention to the representation dated 13.08.2021 (Annexure P-3) sent by the petitioners to Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana-respondent No.2.

Issue notice to respondents No.1 to 3 only.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case and keeping in view the limited prayer of the petitioners, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana to look into the representation dated 13.08.2021 (Annexure P-3) and take steps,

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if necessary, in accordance with law to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners.

However, it is clarified that this order shall not be taken to validate the relationship of the petitioners or protect them from any criminal proceedings instituted in accordance with law.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)  
JUDGE

August 26, 2021  
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| Whether Reportable        | : | Yes/No |