

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH

CRWP-9610-2021

Date of Decision: 08.10.2021

Prabha and another

....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondent(s)

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI**

Present: Mr. K.L. Saini, Advocate, for the petitioners.

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**JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (Oral)**

Petitioner No.1 (girl) is more than 18 years and and petitioner No.2 (boy) is more than 19 years of age. It is averred that the petitioners fell in love with each other and developed intimacy and now are residing in live-in-relationship as petitioner No.2 has not attained the marriageable age as per law. It is further averred that family of petitioner No.1 is opposed to the relationship and, therefore, the petitioners are apprehending threat to their life and liberty at the hands of private respondents Nos.4 to 6. Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that scope of the present petition pertains only to the protection of lives of the petitioners. He has submitted that the petitioners have submitted a representation (Annexure P-3) dated 4.10.2021, to the Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar, District Jalandhar, but no action has been taken on the same.

Heard. Record perused.

Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1, 2 and 3 only. Mr. Rana Harjasdeep, learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the aforesaid respondents.

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This Court does not wish to make any observations with regard to the validity of inter se relationship between the petitioners. However, since both the petitioners are stated to be residing in live-in relationship, the scope of present petition pertains only to protection of their lives.

This petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – the Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar, District Jalandhar that representation (Annexure P-3) filed seeking protection of life and liberty, be looked into and contents thereof be duly verified and if necessary, requisite steps be taken, strictly in accordance with law for ensuring the protection of life of the petitioners.

**08.10.2021**

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**(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)****JUDGE**

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| Whether speaking   | : | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable | : | Yes/No |