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

CRWP-9896-2021

Date of decision : 14.10.2021

Kuldip Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Mr. Daljeet Singh Virk, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Saurav Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition filed for issuance of necessary direction to respondent Nos.3 and 4 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that in the present case, one complaint/representation dated 03.05.2021 (Annexure P-4) has been submitted to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda-respondent No.3, in which allegations have been made against respondent No.6 who is the husband of petitioner No.3, creating an apprehension in the mind of the petitioners with respect to their life and liberty.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that the petitioners would be satisfied if respondent No.3-Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda is directed to look into complaint/representation dated 03.05.2021 (Annexure P-4) and after considering the threat perceptions, takes appropriate action in accordance with law.

Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1 to 5 only.

On advance notice, Mr. Saurav Khurana, DAG, Punjab, appears and accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 5 and on a specific query put by this Court, he has stated that he has no objection in case, respondent No.3-Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda looks into the complaint/representation dated 03.05.2021 (Annexure P-4) with a limited prayer for only protection of life and liberty of the petitioners and takes appropriate action in accordance with law.

After considering the facts and circumstances of the present case, this Court deems it appropriate to direct respondent No.3-Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda to look into the complaint/representation dated 03.05.2021 (Annexure P-4) with a limited prayer for only protection of life and liberty of the petitioners and after making necessary enquiries and assessing the threat perception, respondent No.3 shall take appropriate action in accordance with law.

It is, however, clarified that this Court has not gone into the merits of the allegations made by the petitioners and it would be open to respondent No.3 to make his independent enquiry/assessment with regard to the representation with a limited prayer aforesaid.

In view of what has been observed above, the present petition is disposed of in the abovesaid terms.

It is, however, clarified that this order shall not debar the State from proceeding against the petitioners, if involved in any case.

14.10.2021

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**(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No

Whether reportable:- Yes/No