

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

(107)

**CRWP No. 3477 of 2022
Date of Decision: 19.4.2022**

Chhoti Kumari and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURESHWAR THAKUR

Present: Ms. Sandeep Kaur, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Bhupender Beniwal, AAG, Punjab.

SURESHWAR THAKUR, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioners, who are in a live-in relationship, by filing the present petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, are seeking directions upon respondent Nos. 1 to 3 to give protection to their life, and liberty, and, against any interference in the peaceful life of the petitioners being made at the behest of the private respondents.

2. The learned State Counsel, does not have any objection, to an order being made by this Court to the respondents concerned, to look into and decide through a speaking order, representation Annexure P-3.

3. Consequently, this Court directs the respondents concerned, to within three weeks hereafter, hence decide Annexure P-3, through a speaking order.

4. Petition is disposed of.

5. However, before the authorities concerned, mete compliance with the afore made order, they shall ensure, that the live in relationship, if established, inter se, the co-petitioners, was a sequel to both acquiring the relevant age of majority. Moreover, the afore order is also subject to, the

father of co-petitioner No. 1, not making any complaint with respect to his daughter, being abducted by the co-petitioner No. 2, whereas, upon the above complaint being filed by the father of co-petitioner No. 1, thereupon, it is open for the investigating officer concerned, to draw an appropriate action, against the accused, but in accordance with law. Nonetheless, he may not arrest him without issuing seven days notice upon him.

6. A copy of this order be given dasti on payment of usual charges.

(SURESHWAR THAKUR)
JUDGE

April 19, 2022
Gurpreet

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No