

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

CRWP-1275-2023

Date of Decision: 10.02.2023

Kajal Rani and another

..... Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Gurpal Singh Sandhu, Advocate, for the petitioners

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (ORAL)

Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a direction to respondents no.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners, which is endangered at the hands of respondents No.4 to 8, as the petitioners want to marry with each other.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that both the petitioners are major and are living in live-in-relationship against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 8 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents no.4 to 8. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 06.02.2023 (Annexure P-3) to respondent no.2.

Notice of motion to respondents no.1 to 3-State only.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the petition with a direction to respondent no.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Sri Muktsar

Sahib to decide the representation (Annexure P-3) of the petitioners and grant them protection, if any threat to their life and liberty is perceived. It is clarified that this order shall not be taken to grant immunity to the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any, committed by them. This order would not be understood having expressed any opinion whatsoever by this Court on the validity of their live-in relationship.

Disposed of.

10.02.2023
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Whether Speaking/Reasoned
Whether Reportable

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE
: Yes/No
: Yes/No