

**In the High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana  
At Chandigarh**

CRWP-1394-2023 (O&M)  
Date of Decision:-14.2.2023

Abhishek Rawat and another ... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others ... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL**

Present:- Mr. Chander Shekhar Singhal, Advocate for the petitioners.

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**GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J.**(Oral)

1. Petitioner No.1-Abhishek Rawat aged about 19 years and petitioner No.2-Sabita Koirala aged about 28 years, both of whom are in a 'live-in' relationship, have approached this Court seeking issuance of a direction to official respondents to protect their lives and liberty as they apprehend threat to the same at the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 7, who do not approve of their 'live-in' relationship. While petitioner No.1-Abhishek Rawat is stated to be unmarried, petitioner No.2-Sabita Koirala is stated to be already married and having a daughter, but her husband is stated to have dissented her since the year 2016.
2. Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and without commenting anything as regards the veracity of the averments made in the petition and also as regards the sanctity of alleged relationship of the petitioners, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali), Punjab to look into the

matter and to dispose off the representation dated 8.2.2023 (Annexure P-3) in accordance with law. In case, it is found that there is a genuine threat to the lives and liberty of the petitioners, then necessary steps warranted under law be taken thereupon at the earliest so as to ensure that no harm is caused to the petitioners.

3. A copy of this order alongwith copy of the representation dated 8.2.2023 (Annexure P-3) be sent to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali), Punjab so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.
4. It is, however, clarified that the aforesaid order shall not be taken to be any expression as regards the alleged relationship of the petitioners and shall not confer any immunity upon the petitioners, in case it is found that they have committed any wrong.

**14.2.2023**

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**( GURVINDER SINGH GILL )  
JUDGE**

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No