

111 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRWP-2292-2023
Date of Decision: 13.03.2023

RIYA AND ANOTHER

...Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA

Present: Mr. Jagjeet Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

DEEPAK MANCHANDA J. (ORAL)

The petitioners have approached this Court under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for seeking issuance of directions to respondent Nos. 2 and 3 for protecting their lives and personal liberty from private respondents.

The contention of learned counsel for the petitioners is that both the petitioners are major, aged above 18 years and above 28 years respectively. In support thereof, copies of Aadhaar Cards (Annexures P-1 and P-2) pertaining to the petitioners have been appended. The learned counsel for petitioners further contends that petitioners are staying in 'live-in relationship' against the wishes of their parents. The petitioners apprehend threat to their lives and liberty and claim that there is a constant danger of being implicated in a false case. Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that a representation dated 03.03.2023 (Annexure P-3) has also been sent by the petitioners to the respondent No. 2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala and the same has not been decided till date and he would be satisfied if the said representation is decided in a time bound manner. To support his contentions, he relies upon judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court in case titled as "*Lata Singh Vs. State of U.P. and Anr.*".

Notice of motion restricted to respondents No.1 to 3 only.

Pursuant to supply of advance copy, Mr. P.S. Grewal, DAG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 and has no objection if appropriate directions are given for deciding the representation submitted by the petitioners.

Therefore, without examining the question of legality and validity of the relationship of the petitioners and without expressing any opinion thereon, the petition is disposed of with the directions to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, to look into the grievances of the petitioners as set out in the petition and also expressed in the representation (Annexure P-3) and take appropriate action for protection of their lives and liberty as may be warranted by the circumstances, in accordance to law.

The Registry is directed to send a copy of this order along with copy of the petition to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, for requisite compliance.

The petition is disposed of

13.03.2023
Ajay Goswami

(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No