

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-4478-2023

Date of decision: 09.05.2023

Sukhvir Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Naveen Kumar, Advocate for
Mr. Imran Farooqi, Advocate for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the instant petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3, to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners, who apprehend threat to their life at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 6 who are averse to their live-in-relationship.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have been in a live-in-relationship for almost one year now. The petitioners are being threatened with dire consequences by the private respondents as they have not accepted their relationship. A representation dated 01.05.2023 (Annexure P-3) was also made to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Malerkotla for protection of their life and liberty but in vain.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners after arguing for some time, submits that he would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Malerkotla to look into their representation (Annexure P-3) and take appropriate steps at

the earliest.

4. Notice of motion to official respondents only.

5. On asking of the Court, Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, Sr. DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents.

6. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a directions to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Malerkotla to look into the representation dated 01.05.2023 (Annexure P-3) *qua* the alleged threat perception and take necessary steps, as may be required, in accordance with law, to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents. However, this direction will have no effect on any civil or criminal action, which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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