

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

CRWP-4639-2023

Date of Decision: 16.05.2023

AAVIDA AND ANOTHER

...Petitioners

Vs.

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present: Mr. Kuldeep Sharma, Advocate for
Mr. Anas Ahmed, Advocate for the petitioners.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (Oral)

This is a petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directions to respondents Nos. 1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents No. 4 to 9.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners, both major, are in a live-in-relationship since May 2023. He submits that petitioner No.1 is already married to respondent No.9 and respondent No.2 is also married and has a minor child. He further submits that they will get divorce from their respective partners and solemnize marriage with each other. He also referred to the Aadhar Cards (Annexures P-1 and P-2) of the petitioners to show that the petitioners are major.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that the private respondents No. 4 to 9 are not accepting their relationship and are threatening them with dire consequences. They apprehend danger to their life and liberty from the private respondents and in this regard they have already moved a representation dated 07.05.2023 (Annexure P-3) before respondent No. 2 -Superintendent of Police, Mewat, Haryana.

4. Notice of motion.

5. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Vishal Malik, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondents.

6. Without commenting on the validity of the *inter se* relationship of the parties, the petition is disposed of with the direction to respondent No. 2 -Superintendent of Police, Mewat, Haryana, to consider the representation dated 07.05.2023 (Annexure P-3) keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case and if so warranted, take action, to ensure protection to the life and liberty of the petitioners, strictly in accordance with law.

7. This order is not to be construed as any opinion with regard to the age of the petitioners or factum or validity of their relationship in any civil or criminal proceedings nor the petitioners would be entitled for any protection against their arrest or continuance of any criminal proceedings, if otherwise, found to be involved in commission of any cognizable offence(s).

(SANJIV BERRY)
(JUDGE)

16.05.2023

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