

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

**CRWP-5844-2023**

**Date of decision : 09.06.2023**

**Nazia and another**

**.....Petitioners**

**versus**

**State of Punjab and others**

**..... Respondents**

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

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Present :- Mr. Hardik Ahluwalia, Advocate  
for the petitioners.

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**RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)**

Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directing respondents no.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondents no.4 to 7 and also direct respondents No.1 and 3 to take appropriate steps to stop the harassment of petitioners at the hands of private respondents.

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 7 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents no.4 to 7. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 07.06.2023 (Annexure P-3) to respondent no.2.

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

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Karunesh Kaushal, AAG,  
Punjab 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, District Malerkotla, Punjab 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

( RAJESH BHARDWAJ )  
JUDGE

09.06.2023  
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No  
Whether reportable : Yes/No