

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

CRWP-6235-2023

Date of Decision: 22.06.2023

Gurpreet Kaur & anr.

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab & ors.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUKHVINDER KAUR

Present:- Mr. Amit Puri, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

SUKHVINDER KAUR, J.

1. Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to provide protection of life and liberty to the petitioners, who are living in live-in-relationship against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 9.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners has contended that petitioner No.1 is major as her date of birth is 28.08.2004. Date of birth of petitioner No.2 is 14.11.2003. He is major but not of marriageable age. Copies of Adhar Cards of both the petitioners are annexed with the petition as Annexures P-1 and P-3. He has contended that when petitioner No.1 apprised the private respondents that she is in live-in relationship with petitioner No.2 and wants to solemnize marriage with him on attaining the marriageable age, then the private respondents got extremely angry and refused to accept their relationship. They also gave beatings to her and threatened her that if she would think of solemnizing marriage with petitioner No.2, they will finish both of them for the sake of family's reputation. Thereafter, on 13.06.2023, petitioner No.1 left the company of her family members at her own and joined the company of petitioner No.2.

They are living together in live-in relationship, but they are having threats at

the hands of respondents No.4 to 9 and by way of filing the present petition, they are seeking protection. It has also been submitted that the petitioners have moved a representation dated 17.06.2023, Annexure P-4 to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur, but no action has been taken on the same.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On the asking of Court, Mr. M.S. Bajwa, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

5. In view of the above, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondents No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur, to look into the representation dated 17.06.2023, Annexure P-4 and take necessary steps, if any 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.

6. However, this direction will have no effect on any civil or criminal action, which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

(SUKHVINDER KAUR)
JUDGE

22.06.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable :

Yes/No