

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-9460-2023

Date of Decision: 22.09.2023

Baljit Kaur and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS SURI

Present:- Ms. Rimple Saini, Advocate, for the petitioner.

VIKAS SURI, J. (Oral)

[1] This is a petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking direction to respondents No.1 to 3 for grant of protection to the life and liberty of the petitioners.

[2] It is pleaded that petitioners are adults, who are 42 and 55 years of age, respectively. Petitioner No.1 is married to respondent No.4, whereas petitioner No.2 is a widower. From the marriage of petitioner No.1 with respondent No.4, she has two children, who are 20 and 21 years of age. It is further pleaded that petitioner No.1 has left her matrimonial home and is now living with petitioner No.2 in live-in relationship since 02.09.2023. This action of the petitioners has annoyed the private respondents. The petitioners are constantly living under the apprehension of threat to their life and liberty at the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 7. The petitioners have submitted representation dated 18.09.2023 (Annexure P-3) to the Senior

Superintendent of Police, Police District Batala-respondent No.2 seeking protection of their life and liberty, but to no avail.

[3] Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1 to 3 only at this stage.

[4] Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3-State and waives service.

[5] Heard learned counsel for the parties.

[6] Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or commenting thereon, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Police District Batala-respondent No.2, to consider the aforesaid representation dated 18.09.2023 (Annexure P-3) made by the petitioners and in case there is any threat perception to them from the side of private respondents, to act in accordance with law and if need be, to provide them interim protection.

[7] It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to validate the alleged relationship or protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any, committed by them.

September 22, 2023
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(VIKAS SURI)
JUDGE

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