

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-9889-2023

Date of decision: 06.10.2023

Gaganpreet Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Dharamender Singh, Advocate for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

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 protect the life and liberty of the petitioners, at the hands of their respective spouses, who have been arrayed as respondents No.6 and 5 respectively, since the petitioners are in a live in relationship for the past 06 months.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are living in live in relationship for the past 06 months, against the wishes of their respective spouses. Ever since then, the petitioners are being threatened with dire consequences by the private respondents. Resultantly, a representation dated 20.09.2023 (Annexure P-3) was also made to the Commissioner of Police, District Ludhiana for protection of their life and liberty but in vain. Learned counsel submits that he would be satisfied if directions are issued to the Commissioner of Police, District Ludhiana or respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, District Ludhiana to look into their

representation (Annexure P-3) and take appropriate steps at the earliest.

3. Notice of motion to official respondents only.

4. On asking of the Court, Mr. Mohit Kapoor, Addl. A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents.

5. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a directions to respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, District Ludhiana to look into the representation dated 20.09.2023 (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