

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

CRWP-10585-2023 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 08.11.2023

MANPREET SINGH ANOTHER

...Petitioners

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Raman Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Madhur Sharma, AAG Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR J. (Oral)

1. The learned counsel for the petitioners contend that the petitioners are residing in live-in relationship with each other against the wishes of respondents No. 4 to 7 and petitioner No. 1 claims himself to be major (but not of marriageable age), whereas petitioner No. 2 claims herself to be 17 years 09 months and 22 days old and seek protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents No. 4 to 7. The petitioners have also submitted a representation (Annexure P-3) to respondent No. 2 but no action has been taken so far.

2. Notice of motion has already been issued vide order dated 30.10.2023. Counsel for the petitioners is directed to supply a copy of complete paper book to the counsel appearing for the State during the course of the day.

3. Without commenting on the validity of the relationship of the petitioners and entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on file, I dispose of this petition with

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direction to respondent No. 2 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-3) within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and grant them protection, if there is any threat to their life and liberty. It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any committed by them.

08.11.2023
Ajay Goswami

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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