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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-11327-2023
Date of decision: 23.11.2023

PAYAL AND ANOTHER

...Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present:- Mr. S. S. Brar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed seeking protection of life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 6 and their other relatives.

2. Petitioner No.1 (girl) is of the age of 18 years, whereas petitioner No.2 (boy) is aged 22 years. It is averred that the family members of petitioner No.1, wants to get her married against her wish forcibly with a boy of their choice, whereas petitioners like each other and want to marry each other. It is further averred that due to the aforesaid reason, at present the petitioners are residing in a live-in-relationship. It is also averred that family of petitioner No.1 is opposing the said relationship and therefore, the petitioners are apprehending threat to their lives and liberty at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 6.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that scope of the present petition pertains only to the protection of lives of the petitioners. He has

submitted that the petitioners have submitted a representation dated 21.11.2023 (Annexure P-3) to respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Sirsa, Haryana but no action has been taken on the same.

4. Heard. Record perused.

5. Notice of motion to respondents No.1, 2 and 3 only.

6. Mr. Vishal Kashyap, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the aforesaid respondents. Copy stands supplied.

7. This Court does not wish to make any observations with regard to the validity of *inter se* relationship between the petitioners. However, since both the petitioners are stated to be residing in a live-in relationship, the scope of present petition pertains only to protection of their lives.

8. The present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Sirsa, Haryana that representation dated 21.11.2023 (Annexure P-3) filed seeking protection of life and liberty of the petitioners, be looked into and contents thereof be duly verified and if necessary, requisite steps be taken, strictly in accordance with law for ensuring the protection of lives of the petitioners.

23.11.2023
Chetan Thakur

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

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