

113 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-11749-2023

Date of decision: 06.12.2023

RAJBIR KAUR AND ANR

...PETITIONERS

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Rajat Dogra, Advocate for the petitioners.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR J. (ORAL)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that earlier petitioner No.2 was married to one Labh Kaur and due to their matrimonial dispute, both the petitioner No.2 and his earlier wife got *panchayati* divorce on 15.10.2023, copy of which has been placed on record as Annexure P-3. Now, the petitioner No.2 is living with petitioner No.1 in live in relationship but the said relationship is not acceptable to respondents No.4 to 7 and they are threatening to petitioners with dire consequences. The petitioners apprehend danger to their life and liberty from respondents No.4 to 7 and in this regard, submitted a representation dated 29.11.2023 (Annexure P-4) to respondent No.2 & 3 but no action has been taken so far.

2. Notice of motion to official respondents only.

3. Ms. Navreet Kaur Barnala, AAG, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice for the official respondents. 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.

4. Without commenting on the validity of their relationship and entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents

placed on the file, I dispose of this petition with direction to respondent No.2 and 3 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-4) 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.

December 06, 2023
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(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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| (i) | Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| (ii) | Whether reportable | Yes/No |