

Neutral Citation No.2023:PHHC:163003

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP 12213 of 2023 (O&M)

Date of decision : 19.12.2023

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Dilpreet Singh and another

.....Petitioners

vs.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Ms. G.S. Randhawa, Advocate the petitioners.

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MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 to 3, to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 7 (family members of the petitioners), who are averse to their live-in relationship.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners have been in a live-in relationship for almost a year and they are continuously being threatened with dire consequences by the private respondents. Hence, there is a genuine apprehension of the life of the petitioners being in peril. Resultantly, a representation dated 14.12.2023 (Annexure P-3) was also made to respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Amritsar (Rural), for protection of their life and liberty but in vain. Learned counsel

submits that he would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Amritsar (Rural), 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, Additional Advocate General, 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-Senior Superintendent of Police, Amritsar (Rural), to look into the representation dated 14.12.2023 (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.

(**MANJARI NEHRU KAUL**)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking / reasoned Yes / No

Whether reportable Yes / No