

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

CRWP-1576-2024 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 19.02.2024

POONAM NIRMAL AND ANOTHER

...Petitioners

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: None for the petitioners.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR J. (Oral)

1. Present criminal writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking directions to respondents No. 2 and 3 for protection of life and liberty of the petitioners from private respondents No. 4 to 9.
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of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of this petition with the 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 Court and grant them protection, if there is any threat to their life and liberty in accordance with law. 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.

19.02.2023
Ajay Goswami

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No