

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-1634-2024

Date of decision: 21.02.2024

Lovepreet Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. D.S. Nigha, Advocate for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondents No.1 to 3, to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5, who are averse to their live in relationship.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1, aged about 19 years and petitioner No.2 aged about 20 years, are living in a live in relationship, however, the private respondents who are immediate family members of petitioner No.1, have not been able to accept their live in relationship as a result of which they have been continuously extending threats of dire consequences to them. Resultantly, a representation dated 17.02.2024 (Annexure P-3) was also made to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, District Fatehgarh Sahib for protection of their life and liberty but in vain. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, District Fatehgarh Sahib to look into their

representation dated 17.02.2024 (Annexure P-3) and take appropriate steps at the earliest.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On asking of the Court, Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents.

5. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with directions to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, District Fatehgarh Sahib to look into the representation dated 17.02.2024 (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.

21.02.2024

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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