

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP No.1803 of 2024

Date of decision: 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

Harjinder Kaur & another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL**

Present: Mr. Harvinder Singh, Advocate for  
Mr. Sukhbir Maandi, Advocate for the petitioners.

**MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)**

1. The instant petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ in the nature of mandamus seeking directions to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents.

2. Learned counsel inter alia contends that the petitioners are apprehending threats at the hands of private respondents, who are husband and in-laws of petitioner No.1. He submits that ever since the petitioners have entered into live-in relationship, they are being continuously threatened with dire consequences. It has been further submitted that representation (Annexure P-3) dated 20.02.2024 was also made to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, District Tarn Taran, however, it had proved to be in vain.

3. Notice of motion to the official respondents.

4. At the asking of Court, Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. Dy. Advocate General, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the said respondents.

5. In view of the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioners, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, District Tarn Taran to look into the representation (Annexure P-3) dated 20.02.2024 and take necessary steps, if any 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 not validate the relationship between the parties and 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

February 27, 2024  
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| Whether reportable        | Yes/No |