2024:PHHC:033933

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-2199-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 11.03.2024

Meenu Devi Badelal Saroj and another .....Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab and others .....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Hukam Singh, Advocate for the petitioners.

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MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

CRM-W-302-2024

Allowed as prayed for.

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1. Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3, to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of respondents No.4 to 9, who are averse to their live in relationship.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1, aged about 35 years and petitioner No.2 aged about 30 years, are living in a live in relationship, however, the private respondents who are immediate family members of the petitioners, 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 21.02.2024 (Annexure P-3) was also made to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Mohali, District Mohali for protection of their life and liberty but in vain.

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Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Mohali, District Mohali to look into their representation dated 21.02.2024 (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, Mohali, District Mohali to look into the representation dated 21.02.2024 (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.

11.03.2024 (**MANJARI NEHRU KAUL**)
Vinay **JUDGE**

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

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