

**112 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

Neutral Citation No. 2024:PHHC:041836

CRWP-2677-2024

Date of Decision: March 22, 2024

Pushpinder Kaur and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Shubham Rana, Advocate for the petitioners.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(Oral)

Petitioners are living live-in relationship. They feel threat to their life and liberty on the part of private respondents and so have approached this Court to provide them necessary protection.

2. It is contended that petitioner No.2 has not attained the age of marriage, as per Hindu Marriage Act and after attaining the age of 21 years, both the petitioner will marry each other.

3. Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1 to 3 only.

4. Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3-State. Power of attorney has been filed by Mr. Ankit Rana, Advocate on behalf of respondent Nos.4 to 6.

5. Learned counsel for respondent Nos.4 to 6 has opposed the petition by submitting that marriage of petitioner No.1 is already fixed for 30.03.2024. He has also placed on record copy of the marriage invitation card in this regard.

6. Although, it is not in dispute that petitioner No.1 is major and so also petitioner No.2. There is fundamental right for the protection to the life and liberty. Petitioner No.1 cannot be forced to perform marriage against her wishes.

7. Present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent Nos.2 and 3 to provide necessary protection to the petitioners after assessing threat perception to their life.

Disposed of.

March 22, 2024
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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

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