

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-3018-2024

Date of decision: 05.04.2024

Khushi Kumari and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of U.T. Chandigarh and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Chander Shekhar Singhal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 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 8, who are averse to their live in relationship.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1, aged about 20 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 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 01.04.2024 (Annexure P-5) was also made to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Chandigarh, 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, Chandigarh to look into their representation dated 01.04.2024

(Annexure P-5) and take appropriate steps at the earliest.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On asking of the Court, Mr. P.S. Paul, Addl. P.P., U.T., Chandigarh, 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, Chandigarh to look into the representation dated 01.04.2024 (Annexure P-5) *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.

05.04.2024

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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