



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

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CRWP-5748-2024

Date of Decision: 19.06.2024

Kavita Devi and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE KIRTI SINGH

Present:- Ms. Sunita Gupta, Advocate for the petitioners.

KIRTI SINGH, J.(Oral)

This petition has been filed for seeking a direction to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of private respondents (arrayed in the petition) in view of the fact that they are living in a live-in relationship as petitioner No.2 is not of marriageable age and are under eminent threat at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are in a live-in relationship against the wishes of respondents No. 4 and 5. He further submits that they are major and they apprehend danger at the hands of private respondents No.4 and 5, who will eliminate them, if they intend to solemnize the marriage at relevant time. They have placed on record the copy of the Aadhar cards (Annexures P-1 and P-2) to substantiate their claim. The petitioners have also submitted a representation dated 06.06.2024 (Annexure P-3) to respondent No.2.

3. Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

4. Mr. Inderjeet Singh Ladher, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice for the official respondents. Counsel for the petitioners is directed to supply a copy of complete paper book to the counsel appearing for the State during the course of the day.
5. Without commenting upon the validity of relationship between the parties and entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of this petition with direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-3) within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order and grant them protection, if there is any threat to their life and liberty.
6. It is made clear that above direction shall not be taken to be a bar on initiation of any proceedings which may be felt necessary in accordance with law.

(KIRTI SINGH)
JUDGE

19.06.2024
Kavita Nain

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