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

CRWP-6608-2024
Date of Decision:- 15.07.2024

AKKI KAUR AND ANR

....Petitioners

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present:- Mr. Amit Kumar, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Kewal Singh, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J.

1. Petitioners have filed criminal writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directing respondent Nos.2 and 3 to protect life and liberty of petitioners and to restrain private respondent Nos.4 to 8 not to harass or interfere in the peaceful live-in-relationship of both the petitioners as they are living with each other with their own sweet will.

2. It is submitted that both petitioners are major. Petitioner No.1 is aged about 25 years. Copy of her Aadhar Card is Annexure P-1. Petitioner No.2 is aged about 20 years, copy of his Aadhar Card is Annexure P-2. Petitioners moved representation to Senior Superintendent of Police, District Sangrur, Punjab which is Annexure P-3. The petitioners are in live-in -relationship without consent and wishes of parents and brothers of petitioner No.1, from whom, petitioners are receiving threats.



3. Notice of motion.

4. On asking of this Court, Mr. Kewal Singh, Addl. A.G. Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State. Complete copy of paperbook along with supporting documents is already supplied.

5. Considering nature of litigation, no purpose would be served by serving notice to private respondents.

6. I have considered facts narrated in the petition, according to which both petitioners are major and they are residing against the wishes of family of petitioner No.1, as a result they are apprehending threats from the hands of respondent Nos. 4 to 8. It is duty of police to protect life and liberty of petitioners. Therefore, respondent No.2 is directed to consider the representation of petitioners dated 06.07.2024 (Annexure P-3) and protect life and liberty of petitioners from the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 8, considering threat perception, with further direction to maintain their privacy and dignity.

7. Aforesaid protection order will have no bearing on the legality of relationship and it will not protect them in case there is any violation of law or pending legal proceedings.

8. Petition is accordingly disposed of.

9. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, stand disposed of accordingly as well.

(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

15.07.2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No.
Whether reportable: Yes/No