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

CRWP-8536-2024

Date of Decision:04.09.2024

SHAHNAJ AND ANOTHER

..... Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

..... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Hitesh Verma, Advocate
for the petitioners.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed by the petitioners seeking direction to respondent No.2 to provide protection to their life and liberty at the hands of private respondents.

2. As per the allegations made in the petition, petitioner No.1 is aged about 17 years and 9 months and is residing with petitioner No.2 a boy aged about 22 years, with her own free will and consent against the wishes of respondents No.4 to 7 who are extending threats to cause harm to the petitioners.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Jasjeet Singh Dhaliwal, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 and submits that matter be referred to District Child Welfare Committee, Sangrur as per the provisions of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015.



5. Admittedly, petitioner No. 1 a female is less than 18 years of age. It being so, petitioner No.1 is hereby directed to be sent to nearest children home at the earliest. In this regard, Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur is directed to depute some Gazetted Police Officer to do the needful by coordinating with District Child Welfare Committee, Sangrur. Report in this regard be submitted by the State counsel with the registry within a period of next 30 days.
6. The Incharge of the concerned children home is directed to release petitioner No.1 on her attaining age of majority of 18 years.
7. In case, any threat perception is found as has been pleaded in the present petition, the police authorities should take the necessary steps in that regard, in accordance with law.
8. The present petition is hereby disposed of in aforesaid terms.

04.09.2024
Priyanka Thakur

(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

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