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

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Date of Decision: 06.09.2024

Priyanka Rani and another

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Rakesh Kumar Kachura, Advocate for the petitioners.

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of Constitution of India for issuance of direction to respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners so that no harm is caused to them at the instance of private respondents No.4 and 5, on account of love affair of the petitioners as they are living in live-in-relationship.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners states that both the petitioners are major and they are living in live-in-relationship against the wishes of respondents No.4 and 5 and have sought protection to their life and liberty. They apprehend danger from respondents no.4 and 5. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 04.09.2024 (Annexure P-3) to respondent no.2 for granting protection to their life and liberty.

3. Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

4. Mr. Tarun Aggarwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

5. Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the petition with a direction to respondent no.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka, to

decide the representation (Annexure P-3) of the petitioners and grant them protection, if any threat to their life and liberty is perceived.

6. It is clarified that this order shall not be taken to grant immunity to the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any, committed by them. This order would not be understood having expressed any opinion whatsoever by this Court on the validity of their live-in relationship.

06.09.2024			(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
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	Whether Speaking/Reasoned	:	Yes/No
	Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No