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

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Date of Decision: September 10, 2024

Manisha Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr.Rhythem Bajaj, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J.(ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directing respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondents No.4 and 5. It is further prayed to issue directions to official respondents to ensure the security of life and liberty of the petitioners, which is at the eminent danger at the hands of respondents No.4 and 5.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners states that petitioner No.1 is major as she is 19 years of age whereas petitioner No.2 is 17 years and 9 months old and are living together 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 31.08.2024 (Annexure P-3) to respondent No.2.

3. Notice of motion to respondents no.1 to 3-State only.

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr.Tarun Aggarwal, Sr.DAG,

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Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/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, District 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. 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.

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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)**JUDGE****1. Whether speaking/reasoned ?****Yes/No****2. Whether reportable ?****Yes/No**