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

CRWP-10306-2024

Date of Decision:- 24.10.2024

Arshdeep Kaur and another

...Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present:- Ms. Neha Randhawa, Advocate for
Mr. Armaan Gagneja, Advocate
for the petitioners.

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

AMARJOT BHATTI, J. (Oral)

1. Petitioners Arshdeep Kaur and Pardeep Singh have filed present petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directing official respondents No. 2 and 3 to protect life and liberty of petitioners, who are living together in a live-in relationship, from the hands of private respondents No. 4 and 5.

2. It is submitted that both petitioners are major. As per Aadhaar Card of petitioner No. 1, Annexure P-1, her date of birth is 12.03.2003. On the other hand, as per Aadhaar Card of petitioner No. 2, Annexure P-2, his date of birth is 12.09.2004. They are in live-in relationship. Petitioners also moved representation to Senior Superintendent of Police, District Sri Muktsar Sahib, which is Annexure P-3. Petitioners are receiving threats from respondents No. 4 and 5, who are family members of petitioner No. 1, thus filed present petition.

3. Notice of motion to official respondents only.

4. On asking of this Court, Mr. Kewal Singh, Addl. A.G. Punjab accepts notice on behalf of 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 petition, according to which both petitioners are major and are in live-in relationship against the wishes of family of petitioner No. 1, as a result they are apprehending threats from the hands of respondents No. 4 and 5. It is duty of police to protect life of petitioners. Therefore, respondents No. 2 & 3 are directed to consider representation of petitioners dated 18.10.2024 (Annexure P-3) and protect life of petitioners from the hands of respondents No. 4 and 5, considering threat perception.

7. Aforesaid protection order will have no bearing on the legality of their 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.

(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

24.10.2024

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