



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

**CRM-W-1415-2024 in/and  
CRWP-10843-2024  
Date of Decision : 12.11. 2024**

**PAYAL AND ANOTHER**

.....Petitioners

**VERSUS**

**STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS**

....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI**

Present : Mr.Virender Kumar Dhiman, Advocate  
for the applicants/petitioners.

Mr. Rajesh Gaur, Addl.A.G., Haryana.

**KULDEEP TIWARI, J.(Oral)**

**CRM-W-1415-2024**

1. Leave granted.

**CRWP-10843-2024**

2. The petitioners have knocked the doors of this Court by filing criminal writ petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of directions to the official respondents no. 1 to 3 to protect the lives and liberty of the petitioners and to restrain the private respondents no. 4 to 8 from harassing the petitioners or interfering in their peaceful '*Live-in-relationship*'.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that both the petitioners are major, however, petitioner no.2 is not of marriageable age yet. To substantiate his submission, he has placed reliance on Aadhar

Cards/DMC/PAN card of both the petitioners which are annexed respectively as (Annexure P/1 and P/2) with the present writ petition. It is further averred that there is no blood relationship between them and they are living together in a 'Live-in-relationship' and they are receiving continuous threats from the private respondents concerned. They have also approached the official respondents by filing representation dated 07.11.2024 (Annexure P/3).

4. Notice of motion to the official respondent(s) only.
5. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Rajesh Gaur, Addl.A.G., Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondent(s).
6. Learned counsel for the petitioners has placed reliance on the order passed by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court in case titled **Sonia Rani and anr. Vs State of Punjab & Ors, CRWP-12177-2022 decided on 23.12.2022** wherein, the protection has been granted in a case, where the petitioners were living in a '*Live-in-relationship*'.
7. The said Co-ordinate Bench, in the above matter, has observed as under:-

*“13. In view of the same, it goes without saying that the protection of life and liberty is a basic feature of the Constitution of India as emanating out of Article 21. Every person, more so, a major, has right to live his/her life with a person of his / her choice. Whenever this Court, prima-facie, is satisfied that on account of some relatives/ persons being unhappy with the relationship between the petitioners could cause harm to the life and liberty of the petitioners, then in such circumstances, the Courts are required to pass necessary directions for their protection.*

*15. Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances and without commenting upon the legality of the relationship between the petitioners or expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this Court deems*

*it appropriate to dispose of the present petition with a direction to respondent no.2 to consider the representation dated 20.12.2022 (Annexure P-3) and to assess the threat perception to the petitioners and after considering the same, respondent No.2 shall take appropriate action in accordance with law.”*

8. In view of the above, the present petition is **disposed of** with a direction to respondent no. 2—Superintendent of Police, Jind, to consider the representation, and assess the threat perceptions to the petitioners and after considering the same, to take appropriate action, in accordance with the law.

9. However, it is clarified that in case any criminal case has been registered, this direction will not debar the police from taking appropriate legal action by the police, in accordance with the law.

10. All pending application(s), if any, also stand **disposed of** accordingly.

**12.11. 2024**  
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**(KULDEEP TIWARI)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No  
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No