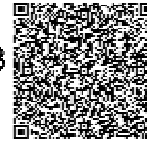


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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

CRWP-484-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 17.01.2025

Kalpana Sawana and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

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

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 7, who are averse to their live in relationship.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1, aged about 19 years 9 months, and petitioner No.2, aged about 19 years, 2 months, are in a live in relationship, however, the private respondents, who are family members of petitioner No.1, have not been able to accept their live in relationship, as a result of which, they have been continuously extending threats of dire consequences to them. Resultantly, a representation dated 15.01.2025 (Annexure P-3) was also made to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka, for protection of their life and liberty but in vain. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits

that the petitioners would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka to look into their representation dated 15.01.2025 (Annexure P-3) and take appropriate steps at the earliest.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On asking of the Court, Mr. H.S. Deol, Senior DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents.

5. At this stage, Mr. Kuldip Singh, Advocate, has entered appearance on behalf of respondents No.5 and 6 and filed his *vakalatnama* in Court today, which is taken on record.

6. In view of the above, without commenting upon the status of live in relationship of the petitioners, the present petition is disposed of with directions to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Fazilka to look into the representation dated 15.01.2025 (Annexure P-3) *qua* the alleged threat perception and take necessary steps, as may be required, in accordance with law, to ensure that the life and liberty of the petitioners is not jeopardized at the hands of the private respondents. However, this direction will have no effect on any civil or criminal action, which could be initiated in the matter in accordance with law.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

January 17, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No