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

CRWP-842-2025

Date of decision: 27.01.2025

Sadhana Barman and another

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR**Present:** Ms. Mala Rani, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Ms. Geeta Sharma, DAG, Haryana.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

The present criminal writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C. for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing respondents No.2 & 3 to provide police protection to the petitioners and protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from respondents No.4 to 7 and further to issue directions to respondents No.4 to 7 to not interfere in the live in relationship of the petitioners.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1 is married to one-Jaidib and out of this wedlock, one male child was born out who is residing with petitioner No.1 and petitioner No.1 left her matrimonial home in the year 2024. He further submits that petitioner No.2 is also married to respondent No.4, namely, Mamta, and out of this wedlock, two children were born who are residing with respondent No.4. Respondent No.4 left her matrimonial home along with her children in the year 2023 and since then, she is residing at her parental home. Thereafter, both the petitioners met with each other and now, the petitioner No.1 is living with petitioner No.2 in live-in

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relationship but the said relationship is not acceptable to the wife of petitioner No.2 and his in-laws i.e. respondents No.4 to 7 and they are threatening to petitioners with dire consequences. The petitioners apprehend danger to their life and liberty from respondents No.4 to 7 and in this regard, submitted a representation dated 23.01.2025 (Annexure P-3) to Senior Superintendent of Police, Kaithal but no action has been taken so far.

Notice of motion to official respondents only.

Ms. Geeta Sharma, DAG, Haryana, who is present in Court accepts notice for the official respondents. Counsel for the petitioners is directed to supply a copy of complete paper book to the counsel appearing for the State during the course of the day.

Without commenting on the validity of their relationship and entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of this petition with direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners dated 23.01.2025 (Annexure P-3) within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and and grant them protection, if there is any threat to their life and liberty in accordance with law.

It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any committed by them.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

27.01.2025*Neha*

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