



CRWP-5354-2025(O&M)

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-5354-2025(O&M)

Decided on :26.05.2025

Manjeet Kaur and another

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Rakesh Kumar Chauhan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Manjinder Singh Bhullar, DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

1. By filing present petition, under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, petitioners seek necessary protection of their lives and personal liberty in view of the fact that they are living in a live-in relationship and are under eminent threats at the hands of private respondents.

2. On 22.05.2025, following order was passed by this Court:

“1. By way of filing this petition, petitioners seek protection of their lives and personal liberty, in view of the fact that they have not solemnized their marriage so far and are living in a live-in relationship and are under eminent threat at the hands of private respondents.

2. Admittedly, petitioner No.1 is major and is more than 35 years of age. She is legally wedded wife of respondent No.6. Since, petitioner No.1 is not happy with the matrimonial life, she developed relations with petitioner No.2, and thereafter, decided to elope with him.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners by referring to the representation dated 20.05.2025, submits that since the time, petitioner No.1 eloped with petitioner No.2, there has been a constant threat of killing, by the private respondents.

4. Notice of motion for 23.05.2025.

5. On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab, appears and submits that in case, such direction petitions are entertained, all matrimonial laws would be of no meaning and there would be strong chances that the run away couple, who are



already married with some other person, may use the Courts' order as shield to justify their relations, which may even not be recognized under law.

6. *Be that as it may, the scope of this Court is only to examine the threat perception to the lives of the persons and not beyond that, therefore, let a status report be filed by learned State Counsel after examining the facts and circumstances in its entirety and respondent No.2 would ensure that any such incident as expressed by the petitioners do not happen till the next date of hearing.*

7. *To be heard along with CRWP-186-2025. "*

3. Learned State Counsel submits that during the pendency of the present petition before this Court, Investigating Officer contacted the petitioners telephonically, and they informed that they are presently residing in Orissa and, as of now, they do not apprehend any threat to their life and liberty. Nonetheless, the respondent State/administration is taking appropriate precautions. It is also submitted that, should any threat perception arise in the future, suitable protective measures will be taken.

4. In view of the statement made by the learned State Counsel, no specific directions are warranted at this stage. Accordingly, the petition stands disposed of.

5. However, the respondents shall ensure that, in view of the relationship between the petitioners, if any fresh complaint is received apprehending threat to their life and liberty, respondent/State would ensure safety of the life and liberty of the petitioners.

6. Accordingly, the petition is disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

26.05.2025

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