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

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CRWP-6956-2025

Decided on:03.07.2025

Payal and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bhardwaj

**Present: Mr. Raman Kumar, Advocate,
for the petitioners.**

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioners have filed the present petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of direction to respondents No.2 & 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondents No.4 to 10, who are harassing and threatening the petitioners to eliminate them in order to save their prestige in the society.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that both the petitioners are major and unmarried. It is submitted that both the petitioners are living in live-in relationship against the wishes of private respondents. It is further submitted that the petitioners apprehend danger from respondent nos.4 to 10. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 29.06.2025 (Annexure P-3) to respondent no.2 for granting protection to their life and liberty.

3. Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

4. Mr. J.S. Arora, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

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5. Without entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of the petition with a direction to respondent no.2- Senior Superintendent of Police (Rural), Jalandhar, District Jalandhar, to decide the representation (Annexure P-3) of the petitioners and grant them protection, if any threat to their life and liberty is perceived.

6. It is clarified that this order shall not be taken to grant immunity to the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any, committed by them. This order would not be understood having expressed any opinion whatsoever by this Court on the validity of their live-in relationship.

July 03, 2025
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(Rajesh Bhardwaj)
Judge

Whether Speaking/Reasoned: NO/YES
Whether Reportable: NO/YES