



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

CRWP-7747-2025

Date of Decision: 21.07.2025

Joyti and another

..... Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Gobind Singh Randhawa, 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 and 3 for not harassing/implicating them especially petitioner No.2 in any false criminal case at the instance of respondents No.4 to 7 on account of love affair of petitioner No.1 with petitioner No.2 as they are living in live-in-relationship.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that both the petitioners are major and are living in live-in relationship against the wishes of private respondents. It is submitted that petitioner No.1 is unmarried, whereas, earlier petitioner No.2 was married with respondent No.7, however, a Panchayati divorce was executed on 30.07.2021. It is further submitted that the petitioners apprehend danger from respondents No.4 to 7. The petitioners have submitted a representation dated 12.07.2025 (Annexure P-5) 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



State.

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, Batala, to decide the representation (Annexure P-5) 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.

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned
Whether Reportable

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

: Yes/No
: Yes/No