



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

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CRWP-10485-2025

Date of Decision : 25.09.2025

SUKHPREET SINGH @ KALU AND ANOTHER

.... PETITIONERS

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.... RESPONDENTS

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present : Mr.A.S.Grewal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of directions to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners at the hands of private respondents.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioners contended that the petitioners are major and are residing together in a live-in relationship, but they apprehend threat to their life and liberty from the private respondents. While drawing the attention of this Court to representation dated 23.09.2025 (Annexure P-1), learned counsel has submitted that the matter was reported to respondent No.2-Superintendent of Police, Bathinda seeking police protection, however, it went in vain. Learned counsel further submitted that the petitioners would be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2 to look into the aforesaid representation and to take appropriate steps at the earliest.
3. Notice of motion.



4. Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab, accepted notice on behalf of the official respondents and submitted that the competent authority will look into their representation and also take action in accordance with law.

5. Heard.

6. Keeping in view the contention of learned counsel for the petitioners as well as learned State counsel, the present petition is disposed of with a direction that petitioner No.2 will appear before the concerned Secretary, District Legal Services Authority and the Secretary will provide her counselling as well as legal aid so that her statement be recorded before the Competent Court in FIR bearing No. 31 dated 19.02.2025 against petitioner No.1 and respondent No.2 is also directed to take necessary steps, as per direction of this Court as held in **CRWP No.4660 of 2021 titled as Yash Pal and another vs. State of Haryana and others, decided on 09.09.2024**, whereby the protection was granted, qua the life and liberty of adults, who were in a live-in relationship, in order to protect them from threats arising from moral vigilants or from close relative of any of them. The fundamental right to life and liberty is so sacrosanct and stands at such a high pedestal that it must be protected even in the absence of an incident like solemnization of a valid marriage between the parties. However, it is made clear that if the petitioners commit any offence against the State or any person, this order shall not create any embargo or impediment to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

(SUBHAS MEHLA)

JUDGE

25.09.2025

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