

**CRWP-12082-2025****-1-****114 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH****CRWP-12082-2025****Date of decision: 01.12.2025****GAGANDEEP AND ANR.****...PETITIONERS****VERSUS****STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS.****...RESPONDENTS****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

Present: Mr. Ajay Kumar Chaudhary, Advocate for the petitioners.

**********RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)**

1. Prayer in the present petition is for issuance of direction to respondents No.2 and 3 to protect the life and personal liberty of the petitioners from the hands of respondents No.4 to 9, as the petitioners are living together in a live-in-relationship and intend to marry against the wishes of the private respondents.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1 is a major, while petitioner No.2 is a minor aged about 17 years and 4 months, and that they are in a live-in relationship. It is further submitted that the petitioners have submitted representations dated 07.11.2025 before respondent No.2, the Commissionerate Police, Jalandhar. He further submits that the petitioners would approach the Commissionerate Police, Jalandhar and thereafter, petitioner No.2 be sent to Gandhi Vanita Ashram, Jalandhar itself.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Ms. Ramta Chowdhary, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

5. Investigating Officer, concerned, who has produced petitioner No.2

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before this Court today, is directed to take petitioner No.2 in Gandhi Vanita Ashram, Jalandhar and to ensure the safe stay of petitioner No.2 in the same till she attains majority and if the need be, necessary protection would also be granted to her and also grant petitioner No.1 protection, if any threat to his life and liberty is perceived. 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.

6. Disposed of in above-said terms

7. It has been apprised by the learned State counsel that today no lady police official has come for assistance, as such, petitioner No.2 be kept in Ashiana, Sector-15, Chandigarh today and thereafter, she be taken to Gandhi Vanita Ashram, Jalandhar accompanied by one lady police official tomorrow i.e. 02.12.2025.

8. A copy of this order be given dasti to counsel for the parties under the signature of Special Secretary of this Bench.

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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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