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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(CRL) 843/2025, CRL.M.A. 7823/2025**

MONIKA & ANR.

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. S. H. Ansari, Advocate.

versus

STATE GOVT OF NCT OF DELHI AND ORS.Respondents

Through: Ms. Rupali Bandhopadhyaya, ASC.
SI Praveen and SI Paramjeet, PS:
Ranhola.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA

ORDER

12.03.2025

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1. Issue notice. Counsel mentioned in the appearance above accept notice.
2. The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, 1950 seek police protection from Respondents No. 6 to 11, who are the family members of Petitioner No. 1.
3. A brief background of the case, as alleged by the Petitioner, is as follows:
 - 3.1. Petitioner No. 1, aged 18 years, was pursuing B.Com and during her first year, her family members fixed her marriage with one Mr. Nikhil, without her consent. When Petitioner No. 1 objected to the same, Respondents No. 6 to 11 confined her in the house and became violent with her. On 27th February, 2025, she was beaten due to which she sustained



injuries.

3.2. Subsequently, she left her parental home on her own free will, and contacted Petitioner No. 2. Since then, they have been in a live-in relationship and for this purpose they have executed an agreement dated 1st March, 2025.

3.3. Upon knowing of the said agreement, Respondents No. 6 and 7, parents of Petitioner No. 1 filed a complaint at P.S. Badi, Sonipat, Haryana against the Petitioners and their two friends who were witnesses to the live-in agreement.

3.4. The Petitioners and the witnesses made a complaint dated 3rd March, 2025 to Respondents No. 2 to 5, however, no action has been taken against Respondents No. 6 to 11.

3.5. The Petitioners apprehend a risk to their lives at the hands of Respondents No. 6 to 11 and have invoked their right to life and personal liberty.

4. The Court has considered the afore-noted facts and submissions. The Petitioners, who have both attained the age of majority, are in a consensual relationship. In the present matter, the Petitioners' fundamental right under Article 21 of the Constitution of India is under threat at the instance of Respondents No. 6 to 11. Thus, in view of the facts and circumstances of the case, it is directed that the SHO of the concerned Police Station shall provide adequate protection to the Petitioners. It is further directed that the beat constable of the concerned Police Station shall be sensitized in this behalf. Furthermore, the telephone numbers of the concerned Police Station as well as of the beat constable shall also be provided to the Petitioners in order to enable them to contact the officers, in the event of any threat or



apprehension.

5. With the above directions, the present writ petition, along with pending application, is disposed of.

MARCH 12, 2025

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SANJEEV NARULA, J