



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP-6339-2026 (O&M)

Date of decision: 27.05.2026

Malti Devi and another

...Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Armaan Gagneja, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The petitioners namely Malti Devi and Lovekush have approached this Court under Articles 226 of the Constitution of India for seeking protection of their life and personal liberty from the private respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioners inter alia contends that the petitioners are major and are staying together in live-in relationship. However, their relationship is not acceptable to the private respondents and as a result thereof, the private respondents are threatening the petitioners. A representation dated 18.05.2026 (Annexure P-4) against the threat extended at the hands of the private respondents already stands submitted by the petitioners to the respondent No.2- Senior Superintendent of Police, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

The petitioners apprehend threat to their lives and claim that there is a constant danger of them being implicated in a false case.

Notice of motion restricted to respondents No.1 to 3 only.

Pursuant to supply of advance copy, Mr. Mohit Kapoor, Sr. DAG Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. He submits that he has no objection if appropriate direction for providing requisite protection to the petitioners is given.

As such, the petition is disposed of with the directions to respondent No.3-Station House Officer, Police Station City Muktsar, Sri Muktsar Sahib to look into the grievances of the petitioners as set out in the petition and also expressed in the representation dated 18.05.2026 (Annexure P-4) and take appropriate action for protection of their lives and liberty as may be warranted by the circumstances.

However, it is clarified that in case any criminal case has been/is registered against the petitioners nothing in this order shall be construed as a bar for taking appropriate action by the police authorities in respect thereof in accordance with law.

The Registry is directed to send a copy of this order along with copy of the petition and above-said representation to respondent No.3-Station House Officer, Police Station City Muktsar, Sri Muktsar Sahib for requisite compliance.

The petition is disposed of.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

27.05.2026

Mangal Singh

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