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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(114)

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Date of Decision:-21.07.2023.

Navneet Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

Present: Mr. Imran Farooqi, Advocate for the petitioners.

ALOK JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioners seeking directions to respondent Nos.2 and 3 to protect their lives and liberty from the hands of private respondents.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are major and are living in a live-in-relationship and they have already submitted a representation dated 12.07.2023 (Annexure P-3) to respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Malerkotla and he shall be satisfied if directions are issued to respondent No.2 to look into their representation (Annexure P-3).

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

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. I.P.S. Sabharwal, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

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6. In view of the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners and without expressing anything on the merits and claim of the parties, respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Malerkotla, is directed to look into the representation (Annexure P-3) and after assessing the threat perception, take appropriate action, in accordance with law.

7. With these observations, this petition is disposed of.

8. It is, however, made clear that this order shall not be construed as any stamp on the alleged relationship of the petitioners or any confirmation to their acts and deeds. This order shall not operate as any *alibi* or defence to any proceedings which might be pending or may arise against the petitioners. Although, the State is duty bound to protect its citizens and only with the said motive, the present order/directions have been passed.

(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE

July 21, 2023.

Sandeep

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