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

+ **W.P.(CRL) 1749/2023**

MANSI VERMA & ANR

..... Petitioners

Through: Ms. Arundhati Katju, Ms. Shristi Borthakur and Ms. Ritika Meena, Advocates.

versus

STATE (NCT OF DELHI) & ORS.

..... Respondents

Through: Mr. Amol Sinha, ASC for the State with Mr. Kshitiz Garg, Advocate and Mr. Ashvini Kumar, Advocate and with ASI Mohd. Naseem Khan, PS Dayalpur and ASI Mahavir Singh, PS Gokul Puri.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJNISH BHATNAGAR

ORDER

02.06.2023

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CRL.M.A. 16308/2023

1. Exemption allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. The application stands disposed of.

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3. The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C. by the petitioner with the following prayers:-

“1. *Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ(s), order(s), or direction(s) to the Delhi Police to grant protection to the Petitioners to secure their right of*

life and liberty guaranteed by the Constitution of India, against Respondent nos. 2 to 5 and any other persons/ meddlesome interlopers, and any coercive process initiated at their behest; and

- II. *Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ(s), order(s), or direction(s) to the Delhi Police to grant protection to the Petitioner no.2's family members to secure their right of life and liberty guaranteed by the Constitution of India, against Respondent nos. 2 to 5 and any other persons/ meddlesome interlopers, and against any coercive process initiated at their behest; and*
- III. *Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ(s), order(s), or direction(s) to the Delhi Police to protect friends and organizations assisting the Petitioners to secure their right of life and liberty guaranteed by the Constitution of India; and*
- IV. *Pass any other order(s) as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and necessary in the interest of justice."*

4. It is submitted by the counsel for the petitioners that petitioners are of same sex, and they are major and living together with their consent which is not to the likings of respondent nos. 2 to 5. It is further submitted that petitioners have apprehension of harm from the respondent nos. 2 to 5.

5. Issue notice. Learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State appears on advance notice and accept notice.

6. Learned Additional Standing Counsel submitted that the complaint was received by Delhi Commission for Women on 19.05.2023. It is further submitted that the mobile phone numbers of the concerned SHO and beat constable will be provided to ensure that

if they encounter any difficulties, they can contact either one of them.

7. In view of the submissions of learned ASC, the IO is directed to provide the mobile phone numbers of the concerned SHO as well as of the beat constable to the petitioners so that in case of any distress, they could reach either to the concerned SHO or to the beat constable.

8. Further, in case the petitioners change their place of residence, the SHO concerned shall inform the SHO of the area in which the petitioners will reside in future.

9. With the aforesaid directions, the petition stands disposed of.

10. A copy of this order be given *dasti* under the signature of court master.

RAJNISH BHATNAGAR, J

JUNE 2, 2023

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