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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

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W.P.(CRL) 225/2019 & Crl. M.A. No.1532/2019

DEEPA

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. Sunil Sharma and Mr. Tushar Sharma,
Advocates.

Versus

STATE

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Sanjay Lao, Additional Standing
Counsel for State with Mr. Siddarth Sindhu,
Advocate and ASI Jai Kishan,
P.S.Mangolpuri.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAJMI WAZIRI

ORDER

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23.01.2019

The petitioner seeks protection from her husband and in-laws. The petitioner alleges that she was assaulted by her in-laws with acid; her clothes got burnt but fortunately, she personally was unhurt. Nevertheless, the petitioner apprehends threat to her life, limb and liberty as well as to her children. In the circumstances, the petitioner seeks protection of this Court.

Mr. Sanjay Lao, the learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State, assures the Court that due protection shall be provided to the petitioner in terms of the threat, as may be assessed. The petitioner may appear before the DCP of the area concerned in the first week of February, 2019, to apprise him of the facts of the case.

In the interim, the Investigating Officer present in the Court shall interact with the petitioner and will provide her three telephone numbers of

police officers including one of the lady police officer. These numbers shall be kept operational at all times so that any exigency can be intimated on either of the numbers by the petitioner. The Court is assured by the learned counsel for the State that any message received on the said numbers or on any other telephone number of the police either by way of a telephone call or SMS shall be immediately responded to. Additionally, the Beat Constable/Division Staff of the area shall regularly visit the residence of the petitioner on a daily basis and report the same in the *Roznamcha*. The safety and security of the petitioner shall be assessed by the SHO on a weekly basis with due endorsement of the same in the *Roznamcha*. The Beat Constable shall record entries in his Beat Book.

The learned counsel for the State submits that the SHO concerned shall duly sensitize the petitioner's husband and her in-laws about the petitioners' right to live a life according to her choice and nobody has a right to interfere in the same.

Should the petitioner shift her address to the jurisdiction of any other Police Station in Delhi, the same protection shall be granted to her by the SHO of the subsequent Police Station as well.

No further orders are required.

The petition stands disposed-off in terms of the above.

A copy of this order be given *dasti* to the learned counsel for the parties under signature of the Court Master.

NAJMI WAZIRI, J.

JANUARY 23, 2019

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