

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRWP-768-2021

Date of Decision:-27.1.2021

SANTOSH RANI

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present:- Mr. Gagandeep Singh Manku, Advocate
for the petitioner.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Case has been heard through video conferencing on account of
COVID-19 Pandemic.

The petitioner has filed this petition under Article 226 of the
Constitution of India to direct respondents No.1 to 4 to protect her life and
liberty from the hands of private respondents No.5 to 7 and further to decide
her representation dated 26.12.2020 (Annexure P-2).

The counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contended that
petitioner is having matrimonial dispute with her in-laws and her husband
Pal Singh @ Jeewan Ram is presently residing in USA. The police failed to
take any action against her husband and other members of his family except
mother-in-law. Respondents No.5 & 6 (brothers-in-law of the petitioner) are
now harassing and compelling the petitioner to withdraw the criminal case
against the entire family. For redressal of her grievance, the petitioner gave
representation (Annexure P-2) to respondents No.2 and 3 but till date, no

action has been taken in this regard. The counsel for the petitioner further submitted that he will be satisfied if necessary direction be given to respondent No.3 to look into the matter.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Hittan Nehra, Addl. A.G. Punjab accepted notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 4.

The State counsel has no objection if the necessary direction is given for disposal of representation (Annexure P-2) in accordance with law.

In the light of the above, without commenting on the merits, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3 to consider and decide the representation dated 26.12.2020 (Annexure P-2) in accordance with law within a period of next one month from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

27.1.2021
Gaurav Sorot

Whether reasoned / speaking? Yes / No

Whether reportable? Yes / No