

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
(through video conferencing)**

CRWP-1743-2021
Decided on : 19.02.2021

Sushma Rani

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & ors.

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Shantanu Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Manjari Nehru Kaul, J.

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of directions to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner and one Onkar Singh, who is stated to be a friend of hers since the private respondents are threatening them with dire consequences ever since the petitioner started residing with the aforementioned Onkar Singh.

Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that the petitioner was being subjected to continuous mental and physical harassment and torture by respondent No.4, who is her husband. It has further been contended that respondent No.4 is a drunkard and man of unsound mind person, who in connivance with the other private respondents tried to strangle the petitioner number of times and even tried to kill her by forcibly administering some narcotic substance to her. It has also been contended that on account of the harassment and treatment meted out to her, the petitioner escaped from the clutches of the private respondents and was given shelter by Onkar Singh and has been ever since living with him of her

own accord.

On a pointed query put to the learned counsel as to whether the petitioner had ever reported to the police station concerned about the attempts to kill her, learned counsel for the petitioner replied in the negative and submitted that the petitioner had only sent a representation dated 16.02.2021 (Annexure P-2) to Sr. Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur.

A perusal of the petition and the representation dated 16.02.2021, which is stated to have been given by the petitioner, does not inspire confidence of this Court, which would warrant the issuance of directions as sought for under Article 226 of the Constitution of India as it is just a reiteration of what has been submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner.

Accordingly, the present petition stands dismissed. However, the petitioner is at liberty to avail of alternate remedy as may be available to her under the provisions of law.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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