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

CRWP-2320-2022

Date of decision : 15.03.2022

Nishu Rani

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL**

Present: Mr. Ram Karan Agnihotri, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sarabjit S. Cheema, AAG, Punjab.

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**VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)**

The present Criminal Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directing respondent Nos.2 and 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner from the hands of respondent Nos.4 to 10.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has moved a detailed representation dated 08.03.2022 (Annexure P-2) before respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar, Mohali for the protection of her life and liberty and in the said representation, she has highlighted the facts which have caused apprehension in her mind with respect to her life and liberty.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has further submitted that the petitioner would be satisfied in case respondent No.2 is directed to consider representation dated 08.03.2022 (Annexure P-2) only with respect to protection of life and liberty of the petitioner and after considering the threat perception, to take appropriate action in accordance with law.

Notice of motion to respondent Nos.1 to 3 only.

On advance notice, Mr. Sarabjit S. Cheema, AAG, Punjab appears and accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3 and on a specific query put by this Court, he has stated that he has no objection in case, respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, looks into the representation dated 08.03.2022 (Annexure P-2) with a limited prayer for only protection of life and liberty of the petitioner and takes appropriate action in accordance with law.

After considering the facts and circumstances of the present case, this Court deems it appropriate to direct respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, to look into the representation dated 08.03.2022 (Annexure P-2) with a limited prayer for only protection of life and liberty of the petitioner and after making necessary enquiries and assessing the threat perception to the petitioner, respondent No.2 shall take appropriate action in accordance with law.

It is, however, clarified that this Court has not gone into the merits of the allegations made by the petitioner and it would be open to respondent No.2 to make his independent enquiry/assessment with regard to the representations with a limited prayer aforesaid.

In view of what has been observed above, the present Criminal Writ petition is disposed of in the abovesaid terms.

It is, however, clarified that this order shall not debar the State from proceeding against the petitioner, if involved in any case.

**15.03.2022**

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**(VIKAS BAHL)  
JUDGE**

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

**Whether reportable:- Yes/No**