

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

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CRM-M-53226-2021

Date of Decision: February 21, 2022

Navjot Kaur

.....Petitioner(s)

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA

Present: Mr. Manish Jain, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rehatbir Singh Mann, DAG, Punjab.

(Through Video Conferencing)

ANOOP CHITKARA J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed for transfer of criminal case *CHI # 383/2018 tilted as "State of Punjab Vs. Vikas Somani and Ors."* bearing FIR No.208 dated 15.09.2016, under Section 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 & 120B IPC.

During the course of the argument, on a suggestion from this Court that whether the petitioner would be satisfied if on the date of her appearance in the trial Court, adequate security is provided to her. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that it is an offer that he cannot refuse. He would be contented if such an order is passed.

Learned State counsel has not opposed such request.

Given above, on the date when the complainant's appearance is required in the Court, the concerned official would provide adequate security to her. It is clarified that burden of expenses incurred on this security shall not be borne by the complainant.

The complainant to inform the Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda about the date of recording of her statement in the trial Court and he shall provide adequate security to her from the boundary of the Bathinda or from the

place of her residence as he so decides.

Since the State has to bear the burden of providing security, as such learned trial Court is requested to expedite the process of recording the statement of the complainant.

The petition is partly allowed in the aforesaid terms.

(ANOOP CHITKARA)
JUDGE

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