

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

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CRWP No.11096 of 2023

Date of decision: 16.11.2023

SONIA

.... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present : Mr.Kapil Khanna, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (oral)

The petitioner has approached this Court seeking protection to her life and liberty at the hands of private respondents No.4 to 6 on the premise that after the death of her husband respondents No. 5 and 6 forced her to live with respondent No.4 without solemnizing marriage.

It is submitted that respondent No.4 used to give beatings to the petitioner after drinking and did not bother to take care of the needs of herself as well as her daughter born from earlier wedlock. Ultimately, w.e.f. 08.11.2023, the petitioner started living separately from respondent No.4 and is doing work of stitching at district Gurdaspur and is taking care of welfare of her daughter in order to save her life at the hands of private respondents.

It is further submitted that respondents No. 5 and 6 who are the brothers of the petitioner, are forcing her to reside with respondent No.4 against her wishes and even the life of the petitioner is in immense danger at the hands of private respondents.

A representation was filed by the petitioner on 10.11.2023 (Annexure P-2) before respondent No.2 but no action has been taken. Hence, prayer has been made by her for giving directions to the respondents Nos.2 and 3 to protect her life and liberty from the private respondents.

Heard.

Without going into the merits of the allegations as levelled by the petitioner, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to look into the grievance of the petitioner as expressed in the representation dated 10.11.2023 (Annexure P-2) and take appropriate action, if any, warranted in the circumstances.

16.11.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Whether reportable

Yes/No.

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Yes/No

(MANISHA BATRA)

JUDGE