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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRWP-3176-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 10.04.2024

Ekta Devi

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Jagjeet Beniwal, Advocate
for the petitioner along with petitioner in person.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The present Criminal Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of direction to respondents No.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner from the hands of respondents No.4 to 6.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, *inter alia*, contends that the petitioner is major and wants to pursue her studies. The parents of the petitioner have forcibly solemnized her marriage with respondent No.6 against her wishes. The parents of the petitioner threatened her to come back and join the company of respondent No.6 being his wife. When she did not do so, they got an FIR No.107 dated 29.03.2024 registered under Sections 363 & 366 of IPC at Police Station Karnal Civil Lines, Karnal against one of her friend namely Vikram, who is not living in India and was not present on the date,

when the FIR was registered, on the pretext that he enticed the petitioner. The petitioner moved a representation dated 02.04.2024 (Annexure P-3) to SHO, Police Station Model Town, Karnal, but the same has not been decided till date.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner would be satisfied, in case a direction is issued to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the representation dated 02.04.2024 (Annexure P-3) submitted by the petitioner in a time bound manner.

4. Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

5. On asking of the Court, Ms. Geeta Sharma, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3-State. Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to supply copy of complete paperbook to learned State counsel during the course of the day.

6. Keeping in view the prayer made by the petitioner and without commenting anything on the merits of the case, present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the representation dated 02.04.2024 (Annexure P-3) submitted by the petitioner within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law.

[HARPREET SINGH BRAR]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No