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IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRWP No. 5178 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 31.05.2024

Sunita ...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present:- Mr. Deepak Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of directions to respondent Nos. 1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner and her minor daughter at the hands of the private respondent, especially respondent No. 4, who is an accused in FIR No. 117 dated 04.10.2023, registered under Sections 354, 354-D, 452, 506 of IPC and Sections 8 and 10 of the POCSO Act, 2012 at Police Station Sujampur, District Pathankot.
2. At the very outset, learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has filed a representation on 18.05.2024 (*Annexure P-1*) before respondent No. 2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot raising her grievances as raised in the present petition but the same has not yet been considered and no action has been taken thereon. He further submitted that at this stage, the petitioner would feel satisfied if appropriate

directions are issued to respondent No. 2 to decide the aforesaid representation filed by the petitioner and take necessary action thereon.

3. Notice of motion.
4. Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab, who is present in Court, has accepted the notice on behalf of the respondent-State and submits that the needful will be done in due course. Let a complete set of the paperbook be supplied to her during the course of the day.
5. In view of the limited prayer made by the petitioner, without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of at this stage with a direction to respondent No. 2 to decide the aforesaid representation of the petitioner within a period of one month from today, by passing a speaking order in accordance with law. Needless to say, if any threat is found to the petitioner or her minor daughter, the official respondents would provide them adequate security in order to protect their life and liberty.

31.05.2024

Waseem Ansari

Whether speaking/reasoned

Whether reportable

(MANISHA BATRA)

JUDGE

Yes

Yes