

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

101-2

CRWP-8925-2022 (O&M)
Date of decision: 15.04.2024

Veena Sharma

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present:- Dr. Anju Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of directions to the official respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner as well as her family members at the hands of the private respondents.
2. At the very outset, learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner may be given liberty to move a representation before respondent No. 3-Senior Superintendent of Police, Kapurthala in due course raising her grievance as raised in the present petition and at this stage, she would feel satisfied if appropriate directions are issued to respondent No. 3 to decide the same expeditiously and take necessary action thereon.

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3. Learned State counsel has submitted that in case the petitioner files any representation before respondent No. 3 making prayer for protecting the life of herself as well as her family members, the same will be considered in accordance with law and the needful will be done in due course.

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. 3 that in case the petitioner files a representation before him within a period of 15 days from today, the same shall be decided by respondent No. 3 within a period of one month thereafter by passing a speaking order in accordance with law. Needless to say, if any threat is found to the petitioner or her family members, the official respondents would provide them adequate security in order to protect their life and liberty.

15.04.2024	(MANISHA BATRA)
<i>Waseem Ansari</i>	JUDGE
<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>