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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-45341-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 12.09.2024

Neetu Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Saurabh Chobey, Advocate
for the petitioner (*through video conferencing*).

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 528 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking issuance of direction to respondents No.2 to 5 to take appropriate action against respondents No.6 to 8 in accordance with law and to register a case against them under the appropriate Sections and also to decide the representations (Annexures P-2 to P-4) submitted by the petitioner.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, *inter alia*, contends that marriage of the petitioner was solemnized with Amit on 29.10.2009 according to Hindu rites and rituals and in the marriage, her parents gave sufficient dowry

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to her in-laws, but they harassed her to bring more dowry. Since husband of the petitioner has been suffering from mental illness since 2017, her father-in-law/respondent No.6 and brother-in-law/respondent No.8 were keeping evil eyes on her and they molested her. Due to his illness, husband of the petitioner took voluntary retirement from Air Force in 2020. It is further contended that husband of the petitioner was diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia at Bhargava Psychiatry, De-addiction and General Hospital, Jaipur. However, respondents No.6 to 8, who are devotees of a so-called healer namely Santro Mai from Satnali, got her husband treated from the said healer, who is neither a doctor nor is having pharmacy licence and due to this, condition of her husband worsened day to day. When the petitioner opposed to this, respondents No.6 to 8 gave beatings to her and also mentally harassed her and in April, 2022, they turned her out of the matrimonial home and since then, she is living with her parents. Respondents No.6 to 8 are administering harmful medicines to her husband and they locked him at home without proper treatment, as such, his life is in danger. Whenever the petitioner goes to get her husband treated, respondents No.6 to 8 assault her and they also threatened to falsely implicated her in a false case. On the aforementioned allegations, the petitioner submitted detailed representations dated 20.08.2024 (Annexures P-2 to P-4) to respondents No.3 & 4 and also to Haryana State Commission for Women, but till date, no action has been taken.



3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner would be satisfied, in case a direction is issued to respondent No.3 to consider and decide the representation dated 20.08.2024 (Annexure P-2) submitted by her in a time bound manner.

4. Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

5. On asking of the Court, Mr. Vikas Bhardwaj, AAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents. Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to supply copy of complete paperbook to learned State counsel during 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.3 to consider and decide the representation dated 20.08.2024 (Annexure P-2) 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