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

CRWP-9418-2024

Date of decision: 27.09.2024

Teena Kumari

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR**Present:** Mr. Chetan Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Geeta Sharma, DAG, Haryana.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

The prayer in the present criminal writ petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing respondents No.2 to 4 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner and to act upon the representations dated 07.09.2024 and 25.09.2024 (Annexures P-2 & P-3, respectively).

Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that the marriage of the petitioner was forcefully solemnized with respondent No.5-Bheem, against her wishes and after marriage, she discovered that her husband has an affair and emotional involvement with another girl and he continues his relation with that girl till date. Thereafter, the petitioner sought refuge with her family but they refused to support her and she was subjected to relentless harassment by her husband and family members. He further submits that the petitioner has been confined within the house and her in-laws along with her husband resorted to physical violence. In this regard, the petitioner has made a representations dated 07.09.2024 and 25.09.2024 (Annexures P-2 & P-3,

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respectively) for seeking protection of her life and liberty.

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 representations dated 07.09.2024 and 25.09.2024 (Annexures P-2 & P-3, respectively) submitted by the petitioner in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

Ms. Geeta Sharma, DAG, Haryana, puts in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents-State and copy of the petition has been supplied in the Court.

Keeping in view the prayer made by the petitioner and without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the representations dated 07.09.2024 and 25.09.2024 (Annexures P-2 & P-3, respectively) submitted by the petitioner and take appropriate steps including grant of any protection to the petitioner in view of the apprehension, if any, 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