



\$~117

* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(CRL) 2510/2025**

DEEPA TALREJA

.....Petitioner

Through: **Mr. Manish Kapoor, Advocate.**

versus

STATE OF NCT DELHI

.....Respondent

Through: **Mr. Sanjay Lao, SC (Crl.) with Mr. Abhinav Arya and Mr. Aryan Sachdeva, Advocates.**

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA

ORDER

13.08.2025

%

1. The Petitioner, a 74-year-old widow, has approached this Court relying upon a certain video in which her daughter-in-law is allegedly seen using abusive and derogatory language towards her. It is further alleged that, over the past 6-7 months, the daughter-in-law has physically assaulted the Petitioner and attempted to forcibly evict her from her own residence. The Petitioner claims to have made PCR calls and lodged a written complaint dated 26th April, 2025 with the Office of the DCP, Rohini, Delhi, but no action has reportedly been taken.

2. In these circumstances, the Petitioner has invoked the jurisdiction of this Court under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India, 1950, seeking directions to the SHO, P.S. K.N. Katju Marg, to provide her adequate security and to initiate action against her daughter-in-law.

3. Mr. Sanjay Lao, SC for the State, submits that the allegations



essentially pertain to a domestic dispute between the Petitioner and her daughter-in-law. He suggests that, if genuine, the appropriate recourse for the Petitioner would be to seek remedies under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005. Nonetheless, Mr. Lao assures that the police shall examine the complaint and if cognizable offences are disclosed, necessary action will be taken in accordance with law.

4. Heard. Having regard to the Petitioner's age, the complaint made by the Petitioner, it is directed that the State shall take action if warranted, strictly in accordance with law. If dissatisfied with the inquiry or investigation, the Petitioner may pursue remedies before the concerned Metropolitan Magistrate, in accordance with law.

5. Nonetheless, the SHO concerned shall depute a beat constable who shall be apprised of this order, and his/her mobile number along with the station's 24×7 contact shall be furnished to the Petitioner. Any complaint of threat shall be promptly recorded through a DD entry and met with immediate assistance. For co-ordination, counsel for the Petitioner shall today share her current address and contact details with the Investigating Officer.

6. It is further clarified that this Court has not expressed any opinion on the merits of the allegations against the Petitioner's daughter-in-law as she is neither a party to these proceedings nor has notice been issued or an opportunity of hearing afforded to her. The Court has also not examined the video footage. Thus, all rights and contentions of the parties remain open for adjudication before the appropriate forum in accordance with law. The directions herein, particularly regarding police protection, are purely preventive measures to safeguard the Petitioner's life and liberty and shall



not be construed as a determination on the truthfulness of her claims or as an endorsement thereof.

7. With the above directions, the present petition is disposed of along with pending application.

SANJEEV NARULA, J

AUGUST 13, 2025

as