



CRWP-3135-2026 (O&M)

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

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Date of decision: 20.03.2026**

Ashima Mittal

PETITIONER

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL

Present: Mr. Ranwant Singh Sangha, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kunwarbir Singh, AAG, Punjab.

Shalini Singh Nagpal, J.(Oral)

The petition under Articles of 226/227 of Constitution of India of seeks direction to official respondents to decide representation dated 14.03.2026 and to take legal action to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner earlier approached this Court by filing CRWP-350-2026 seeking direction to protect her life and liberty. The petition was disposed of on 14.01.2026 and direction was issued to respondents No.2 and 3 to decide the representation dated 03.01.2026. Speaking order was thereafter passed by respondent No.3. FIR No.16 dated 08.02.2026, under Sections 69, 351(2), 316(2) and 318(4) of BNS (Section 4 of POCSO Act added later on), Police Station Kotwali Nabha, District Patiala, was also registered against respondent No.6. However, respondent No.6 was again repeatedly threatening the petitioner and pressuring her to withdraw the case. Despite order of this Court for providing adequate protection to petitioner, no action was taken.

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3. Notice of motion to official respondents only.
4. Mr. Kunwarbir Singh, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of official respondents. Learned State counsel submits that speaking order in compliance to order dated 14.01.2026 in CRWP-350-2026 was passed by respondent No.3. However, at that time, no threat was perceived, therefore, no protection was provided to the petitioner. He further submits that representation Annexure P-4 of the petitioner had been received and the same would be decided expeditiously, after assessing threat perception.
5. Keeping in view the limited prayer made by petitioner, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No. 3- Senior Superintendent of Police, District Patiala, to decide the aforesaid representation dated 14.03.2026 (Annexure P-4) submitted by petitioner within a period of 15 days from today, by passing a reasoned and speaking order, in accordance with law and take appropriate action, if so required. Petitioner would be given a hearing before passing the order.
6. However, if respondent No.3 does not find any substance in the allegations levelled in the representation, the petitioner shall be informed as per mandate of law.
7. The petition stands disposed of.
8. Pending applications, if any, stand disposed of.

(SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL)
JUDGE

20.03.2026*Kapil*

*Whether Speaking/Reasoned :
Whether Reportable :*

*Yes/No
Yes/No*