



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

CRM-M-71343-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 20.04.2026

SONIA GUPTA

...PETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

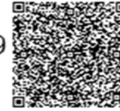
Present: Mr. H.S. Rakhra, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Anup Singh, AAG, Punjab.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023 for issuance of directions to the official respondents to take action against the private respondent since no action has been taken on the complaint/ representations (Annexure P-1 & P-2) given by the husband of the petitioner as well as by the petitioner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that the petitioner and her husband are tenants of private respondent for about 8 years and are running a pharmacy business. The private respondent has been harassing the petitioner by interfering in her business and threatening her with anti-social elements. On 14.05.2025, the private respondent along with bouncers threatened the petitioner, and thereafter placed a table at the entrance of her shop to block access. It is further contended that a representation (Annexure P-1) addressed to the Commissioner of Police, Amritsar has been moved by the husband of the



petitioner followed by the representation (Annexure P-2) seeking transfer of enquiry in Complaint No. 4628/PC/COP dated 31.05.2025, as the concerned officials were allegedly influenced by Assistant Commissioner of Police, who is close to the private respondent. It is also contended that a documentary evidence in the form of video recording/ CCTV footage showing theft being committed by the private respondent in the shop of the petitioner has already been supplied to the police (Annexure P-3) but no action has been taken in this regard.

3. In pursuance of advance notice, Mr. Anup Singh, AAG, Punjab puts in appearance on behalf of respondent-State and by way of filing of reply dated 18.04.2026 submitted that the private respondent has set up his own clinic after his retirement and has rented out room(s) built on the backside of his house to the petitioner in which the petitioner has set up her own medicine shop. During the running of the said Pharmacy and the Clinic run by the private respondent, the two parties were working with mutual understanding and at the relevant time, whenever private respondent needed any medicine, he used to take the medicine from the pharmacy. Learned counsel further contended that the CCTV footage upon which the petitioner is placing reliance and alleging the commission of theft is dated 11.12.2024 at 16.23 which is about six months prior to the complaint lodged by the petitioner, when the relation between the parties were cordial; the representation submitted by the petitioner has already been decided after holding an inquiry by the Deputy Commissioner of Police.

4. Heard, and paper book perused.



5. Taking into consideration the contents of the reply filed on behalf of the respondent-State, the documentary evidence in the form of CCTV footage/ video recording, in support of allegations alleging harassment by the private respondent pertains to the period i.e. six months prior to the lodging of the complaint by the complainant and at that time their relations were cordial. The representation(s) filed by the petitioner have already been dealt with by the official respondent(s), as such, no further directions are required to be issued in the matter and the present petition is hereby disposed of, with aforesaid observations.

20.04.2026

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(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

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| (i) | Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| (ii) | Whether reportable | Yes/No |