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

CNR No. DLHC010368292026

+ **W.P.(CRL) 2407/2026 & CRL.M.A. 24385/2026**

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.....Petitioner

Through: **Mr. Shivam Dixit and Mr. Mayank
Dutt, Advocates.**

versus

GOVT OF NCT OF DELHI& ORS

.....Respondents

Through: **Mr. Yasir Rauf Ansari, ASC with
Mr. Alok Sharma and Ms. Pavitra
Dixit, Advocates.**

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRATEEK JALAN

ORDER

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11.08.2026

1. Issue notice. Mr. Yasir Rauf Ansari, learned Additional Standing Counsel, accepts notice on behalf of the State.
2. By way of the present writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution, the petitioner seeks protection of her life and liberty from apprehended threat to her safety allegedly posed by her family members, including respondent No. 3.
3. The petitioner has disclosed her date of birth as 25.01.2005. Although no identification document has been annexed to the writ petition, the petitioner has produced her Aadhaar Card before the Court, a copy of which is taken on record. The said document reflects her date of



birth as 25.01.2005. Accordingly, *prima facie*, she has attained majority.

4. It is the contention of the petitioner that both her parents have passed away and that she left her parental home on 30.06.2026 with one Mr. Hansraj Kumar, whom she has since married. It is submitted that the petitioner's family members do not approve of her relationship with her husband and have, on account thereof, allegedly extended threats to her life and liberty.

5. Although the marriage certificate has not been placed on record, the petitioner is *prima facie*, an adult, and is entitled to make her own decisions, without apprehension of such consequences.

6. Mr. Ansari submits that the Beat Officer has already visited the petitioner's place of residence and that the telephone numbers of the jurisdictional Station House Officer and Beat Constable have been provided to the petitioner, so that they may be contacted in the event of any exigency.

7. As no further orders are sought in the present writ petition, the writ petition, alongwith the pending application, is disposed of.

8. It is made clear that notice has not been issued to respondent No. 3, and nothing contained in the present order shall be construed as an expression of opinion by this Court on the veracity of the allegations made by the petitioner against any of her family members. Needless to say, the rights and contentions of all parties are left open.

PRATEEK JALAN, J

AUGUST 11, 2026
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