

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

CRM-M-39240-2018

Date of decision: 10.09.2018

Sujata

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present: Mr.Ashok K. Sharma (Bhana), Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. P. P. Chahar, DAG, Haryana.

Ms. Ashima Mor, Addl. P.P., UT, Chd.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition that has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C.
by the petitioner Sujata seeking protection of her life and liberty at the
hands of respondent Nos. 4 to 8.

Learned counsel for the petitioner herein argues that the
petitioner was married to respondent No.4 and at the time of marriage it was
not disclosed to her that respondent No.4 was already married. It is
contended that 4 children have born out of this wed lock and thereafter she
has been thrown out of her matrimonial home. She only came to know about
his previous marriage when the first came back to start reside in the

matrimonial home. It is contended that she was only married only on the pretext that first wife could not bear any children.

This matter came up for hearing on 07.09.2018, on which date notice was issued to the respondent-State. On the said date, the petitioner had sought safe passage and to escort her either her maternal aunt or her maternal uncle. Since she did not find their address, she was sent to reside at Nari Niketan, Sector 26, Chandigarh.

The matter is taken up today and the petitioner informs this Court that she is not able to locate the address of either her maternal aunt or her maternal uncle and she prays that she be shifted to any safe house at Jind.

Without going into the merits of the case and keeping in view of the fact that it is the responsibility of the State to ensure and protect the life and liberty of its citizens and there is an apprehension in the mind of the petitioner that she would be put to threat by respondent No.4, this Court deem it appropriate to allow the request of the petitioner. Consequently, It is ordered that she be lodged at Safe House at Jind.

Since the custody of the petitioner had been handed over to UT Police, let her custody now be handed over to Police Station Women Cell, Sector 5, Mansa Devi Complex, Panchkula, who in turn would ensure that she is safely lodged at a Safe House at Jind.

Mr. P.P. Chahar, learned DAG, Haryana, submits that the needful will be done to make her shifted to the Safe House at Jind.

The instant petition has been disposed of accordingly.

Let a copy of this order be given to the learned counsel for the parties under the signatures of Bench Secretary of this Court.

10.09.2018

Satyawan

Whether speaking/reasoned

Whether reportable

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Yes.

No.