IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-408-2019 (O & M)
Date of Decision: 27.05.2019

Atul Chaubey

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Akashdeep Miglani, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

INDERJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Petitioner has filed this criminal writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *habeas corpus* for release of detenue-Sheetal Rathore, who has been allegedly kept in illegal custody of private respondents.

Vide order dated 29.04.2019, this Court while issuing notice of motion, accepted by learned State counsel, directed respondent No.3-Station House Officer, Police Station Focal Point, District Ludhiana to visit the house of private respondents and make enquiry as to whether detenue-Sheetal Rathore was residing there with her own consent or had been detained by the private respondents illegally and forcibly. If respondent No.3 found that the detenue had been kept forcibly and against her wishes,

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then she be produced immediately before this Court.

Today, affidavit of Sh. Sukhchain Singh Gill, IPS, Commissioner of Police, Police Commissionerate, Ludhiana, has been filed in the Court today. Same is taken on record. Mr. Gurpreet Sikand, ADCP, Ludhiana, who is present in the Court, states that necessary departmental inquiry has been initiated against the defaulting officials.

Heard.

Today, detenue-Sheetal Rathore, who is present in the Court, states that she has performed marriage with the petitioner and now she wants to reside with the petitioner as per her own wish.

Detenue-Sheetal Rathore is allowed to go with the petitioner from the Court itself.

In view of the affidavit filed by the Commissioner of Police, Police Commissionerate, Ludhiana, and statement made by the detenue, no further action is required in this criminal writ petition.

Disposed of.

27.05.2019 **(INDERJIT SINGH)**
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Note: Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No

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