

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

CRWP No.1802 of 2018

Date of decision: 18.01.2019

Sohan Lal

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. Mukul Goyal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Rajeev K. Kapila, Advocate
for respondent No.1.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN J.

Prayer in this criminal writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C., is for issuance of a writ in the nature of habeas corpus directing the official respondents No.2 and 3 to release the detainee namely Payal, daughter of the petitioner – Sohan Lal, from the illegal custody of private respondents No.4 and 5.

In pursuance to the order dated 11.01.2019, the detainee namely Payal, daughter of the petitioner – Sohan Lal is present in the Court and she was referred to the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court for her counselling and recording her statement and in the statement, she has stated that she is major (Date of Birth 26.10.1999) and she is willingly residing separately from her parents and is interacting with them. In the separate statement, the petitioner has also stated that he has interacted with his daughter/detinue and he is

satisfied, after meeting her that he has no objection if, she want to live separately.

In view of the above, this petition is disposed of having been rendered infructuous.

Liberty is granted to the detenue namely Payal, daughter of the petitioner – Sohan Lal, to stay independently.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No