

**298 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH
CRWP-4710-2022**

Date of Decision: 24th May, 2022

Sharon Subrai through next friend Angleena

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present : Ms. Kanwal S. Walia, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. C.S. Bakshi, Addl.P.P., for U.T., Chandigarh.
Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab.
Mr. SPS Chakkal, Advocate for respondents No. 4 to 8.

AVNEESH JHINGAN , J.(Oral)

1. This petition in the nature of Mandamus was filed seeking directions to the official respondents to protect life and liberty of the petitioner (minor) as she was being forced for marriage by her maternal grand parents and relatives.

2. As an interim measure, to ensure the safety of minor she was kept in Aashiana Centre, Sector 15, Chandigarh.

3. The parents of the minor had taken divorce and re-married. The custody of the minor was given by the Court to the mother. In view of the sensitivity of the matter and involvement of welfare of the minor, the matter was sent to the mediation. With the endeavour of the Mediator, the parties have arrived at settlement on 24th May, 2022. As per the settlement, custody of the minor would be now with the paternal grand parents and it is undertaken that father who is residing in UK will take minor to UK at earliest. The detailed terms and conditions have been mentioned in the compromise deed, same is taken on record and is made part of this order.

4. This petition is disposed of, in view of the terms and conditions of compromise.
5. The parties are *ad idem* that the custody of the minor would be given to paternal grand mother who is present in the Court as identified by her counsel.
6. The Aashiana Authorities may handover the custody of the minor to the paternal grand mother after fulfilling the requisite formalities.
7. The petition is disposed of.

**(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE**

24th May, 2022

Parveen Sharma

Whether reasoned/speaking

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No