



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

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**CRWP-9692-2025 (O&M)
DECIDED ON: 05.09.2025**

ANSHDEEP KAUR & ANR.

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA & ORS.

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA PRATAP SINGH

Present: Mr. Gurpreet Singh Thind, Advocate for the petitioners.

SURYA PRATAP SINGH, J (ORAL)

1. This petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for directions to the respondents No.1 to 3 to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners, and not to interfere in their peaceful life.
2. Notice of motion to the respondents No.1 to 3 only.
3. Mr. Parveen Kumar Aggarwal, Addl. A.G., Haryana appears on behalf of the respondents-State, and waives service.
4. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioners as well as learned State counsel.



5. Learned counsel for the petitioner has contended that age of the petitioner No.1 is 17 years.

6. While dealing with similar situation, a Division Bench of this Court in **LPA-769-2021** titled **Ishrat Bano and another vs. State of Punjab and others**, decided on 03.09.2021 observed that:-

“The aspect which we are considering and dealing with is with regard to the threat to the life and liberty to the appellants as has been asserted by them. No doubt, in case, a criminal case is registered against any of the parties, the law should take its own course, however, the life and liberty of any person who has approached the Court with such a grievance need to be taken care of and the protection be provided as permissible in law. No person can be permitted or allowed to take law in his hands and therefore, keeping in view the said aspect, we dispose of the present appeal by observing that the Senior Superintendent of Police, Maler Kotla, shall take into consideration the representation dated 17.08.2021 (Annexure P-5) submitted by the appellants and if some substance is found therein, take appropriate steps in accordance with law to ensure that the life and liberty is not jeopardized of the appellants at the hands of the private respondents. This direction shall not be construed in any manner to restrain the official respondents to proceed against the appellants in case there is some criminal case registered against them. The law shall take its own course and it shall be open to the authorities/investigating agency to proceed against the appellants, if required in law and in accordance thereto.”



7. In similar circumstances when the petitioner is minor, and approached this Court in view of freedom of choice regarding their marriage and seeking protection of life and liberty, the co-ordinate Benches in *Jobanpreet Singh and another vs. State of Punjab and others, 2022 (3) RCR (Civil) 890; Khuspreet Singh and another vs. State of Punjab and others, 2022 (3) RCR (Civil) 988, Akash and another vs. State of Punjab and others, 2023 (3) RCR (Civil) 372, Vikram Kumar v. State of U.T. Chandigarh 2023(4) R.C.R.(Criminal) 812 and Manisha Being Minor v. State of Haryana 2024(2) Law Herald 1193* disposed of the said petitions by passing specific directions to the quarter concerned to look into the representation so addressed to him qua the threat perception only and take necessary steps to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners if any threat so found.

8. On consideration of the aforesaid circumstances and the fact that petitioner No.1 is a minor and has approached the Court, it becomes incumbent upon the Court in its capacity as *parens patriae* to examine what is best in the interest of the minor and it is deemed appropriate to direct respondent No.2 to take all steps in the present case as per the directions given in **Khuspreet Singh's case (supra)**.

9. In view of above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the petitioner No.1 to appear before the respondent No.2 and thereafter, the respondent No.2 shall make arrangement to handover the custody of petitioner No.1 to Nari Niketan, Kurukshetra. The respondents No.1 to 3 shall ensure through the Child Welfare Police Officer that the



minor petitioner No.1 is produced before the Child Welfare Committee within a period of one week thereafter. The Child Welfare Committee constituted under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015, shall take all the decision at its own level as per its mandate under the law.

10. Registry of this Court is directed to send a copy of this order along with the petition and annexures to the respondent No.2, as well as to the concerned Child Welfare Committee of Kurukshetra, for necessary compliance.

05.09.2025
Gaurav Thakur

(SURYA PRATAP SINGH)
JUDGE

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