



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

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CRWP-9739-2025**Date of Decision: 08.09.2025****FAISAL MOHD****.....PETITIONER****Vs.****STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS****.....RESPONDENTS****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA**

Present: Mr. Nafeesh Ahmed, Advocate
for the petitioners.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (ORAL)

1. The prayer in the instant criminal writ petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for the issuance of a writ in the nature of habeas corpus for directing respondent Nos. 2 to 4 to release detainee namely Salma wife of the present petitioner from Safe house/Nari Niketan.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the detainee is stated to be minor and kept in safe house/Nari Niketan at Tauru, but as per her Aadhar Card and other documents she was major. It is also stated that petitioner approached this Court vide CRM-M-43433-2024 decided on 11.11.2024.
3. There is no reliable document on record which confirms that alleged detainee is major i.e. matriculation certificate or document issued by the Registrar Births and Deaths regarding her age. The authority has already sent her to safe house/Nari Niketan as it *prima facie* shows that she is a minor.
4. In this eventuality the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the authorities to produce the detainee, who is stated to be minor, before Child Welfare Committee and the concerned authority will take an appropriate decision in accordance with provisions of the Juvenile Justice (Care and



Protection of Children) Act, 2015, in consonance with the directions given by this Court in *CRWP-2139-2022* titled *P... Minor through Vikram vs. State of Haryana and other* decided on 28.03.2022, after considering relevant documents regarding her age in terms of the directions given by this Court vide order dated 11.11.2024 passed in CRM-M-43433-2024 (Annexure P-9).

5. The present petition stands disposed of.

(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

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