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

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Date of decision: 17.10.2025

BASANTI SINGHAL AND ANR.

..PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS.

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present: Mr. Harmanbir Singh Sandhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Nitesh Sharma, DAG, Punjab.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (ORAL)

1. The prayer in the instant criminal writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 for protection of life and liberty of the petitioners at the hand of private respondents No.4 to 7.

2. Counsel for the petitioner has filed coloured copy of Middle School Certificate of petitioner No.1 in the Court today, which is taken on record. The certificate indicates that petitioner No.1 attained the age of majority.

3. In this regard, this Court has already given the directions in **Asha and another vs. State of Haryana and others, CWP No.6717 of 2009 (2012 SCC Online P&H 12746)**, and in compliance of the same, the State Government had taken steps to protect the life and liberty of run away couple.

4. Apart from that the State of Punjab vide notification dated 23.01.2025 also notified the SOPs for the protection of life and liberty of the petitioners in similar situations, in compliance of the Criminal Writ Petition No.12562 of 2023



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titled as **“Kajal Vs. State of Haryana and others”**.

- 5. In the light of the above directions, the petitioner is directed to approach the concerned authorities.
- 6. Disposed of.

17.10.2025
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(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

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