



111 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP-12317-2025

Date of decision: 26.11.2025

MUSKAN AND ANOTHER

...PETITIONERS

V/S

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present: Mr. Amit Kashyap, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Aditya Pal Singla, AAG, Haryana.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (ORAL)

1. The prayer in the instant criminal writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is for the issuance of directions to official respondent(s) to protect the life and liberty of the petitioners and to issue directions to private respondent(s) to not to interfere in their married life.
2. Upon advance notice, learned State counsel appeared and submitted that in the month of April, 2025, when petitioner No.1 was taken away by petitioner No.2, she was minor and she has completed her age of majority on 29.10.2025. Regarding this, an FIR has also been registered against petitioner No.2.
3. Heard and duly considered the contentions of both the parties.
4. This Court is of the view that petitioner No.1 is major and has solemnized marriage with petitioner No.2 against the wishes of her family and both the petitioners have approached this Court seeking protection to their life and liberty at the hands of private respondents.
5. In this regard, this Court has already given the directions in '**Asha and another vs. State of Haryana and others**', 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.

6. Apart from that the State of Haryana vide notification dated 17.02.2025 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*** titled as “***Kajal Vs. State of Haryana and others***”.

7. In the light of the above, respondent No.2 is directed to take appropriate action on the representation moved by the petitioners.

8. However, it is made clear that if any offence is committed by petitioner No.2 against the State or any person and in respect of the FIR already lodged against him, this order shall not create any embargo or impediment on the proceedings already going on against him or on taking appropriate action in accordance with law.

9. Disposed of accordingly.

November 26, 2025

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(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

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| (i) | Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| (ii) | Whether reportable | Yes/No |