



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(183) CRWP-3814-2026
DATE OF DECISION: 02.04.2026

Ritu Kaushik and another
.....Petitioners
VERSUS
State of Punjab and others
.....Respondents

CORAM HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present Mr.Amritpal Singh, Advocate, for the petitioners.
Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. AG, Punjab.

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 a writ in the nature of mandamus directing official respondent(s) to take an appropriate action against private respondent(s), who are harassing and threatening the petitioners by interfering in their peaceful life and liberty.
2. Notice of motion.
3. Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. AG, Punjab, appears and accepted notice on behalf of respondent/State.
4. 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.
5. 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



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petitioners in similar situations, in compliance of the *Criminal Writ Petition No.12562 of 2023* titled as “*Kajal Vs. State of Haryana and others*”.

6. In the light of the above directions, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 – Senior Superintendent of Police, Rupnagar, District Rupnagar, Punjab, to consider and take necessary action on the representation (Annexure P-4) in accordance with law.

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(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

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