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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

\+ W.P.(CRL) 72/2026

SABNAM KHATOON .....Petitioner

Through: Mr.Fatesh Kumar Sahu, Mr.Vaibhav Patel, Mr.J.M. Junaid, Mr.Divyanshu Jain and Mr.Parshuram, Advs.

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ORS. .....Respondents

Through: Mr.Sanjay Lao, Standing Counsel (Crl.) with Mr.Abhinav Kr. Arya and Mr.Aryan Sachdeva, Advs. with Insp. Vijay Shanwal, SI Rajbir Singh, SI Aarti Jha and W/HC Kavita Rani, PS Mahendra Park

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAVIN CHAWLA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVINDER DUDEJA

O R D E R

% 06.04.2026

1. The present Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India read with Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 ('BNSS') seeking issuance of a Writ in the nature of Habeas Corpus directing the respondents to produce Ms.XXX , the minor daughter of the petitioner.

2. Ms.XXX has been produced before us today in Court.

3. The learned Standing Counsel has handed over a copy of the Status Report dated 06.04.2026 which, *inter alia*, states the details of

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how the girl was traced, whereafter her medical examination has been conducted and consequently Section 6 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012 has been added to the case registered against Mr. Gopal, with whom she had allegedly gone. The Status Report is taken on record.

4. The learned Standing Counsel submits that the statement of the girl will now be recorded under Section 183 of the BNSS whereafter she will be produced before the concerned Child Welfare Committee today itself.

5. In view of the above, no further directions are required to be passed in the present petition. The same is disposed of.

6. *Dasti* under the signatures of the Court Master.

NAVIN CHAWLA, J

RAVINDER DUDEJA, J

APRIL 6, 2026/sg/pb

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