

RAJASTHAN HIGH COURT

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HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN
AT JODHPUR

D.B. Habeas Corpus Petition No. 321/2026
CNR: RJHC010537312026 | URN: HC / 502U / 2026

Budharam

-----Petitioner

Versus

State Of Rajasthan

-----Respondent

For Petitioner(s) : Ms. Manju Devi

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Deepak Choudhary, GA-cum-AAG
assisted by Mr. K.S. Kumpawat
Mr. Ramandeep Singh Gill, Adv.
appearing through VC (Punjab &
Haryana High Court)
Mr. Ramprakash Dudi with
Mr. Vikas Bishnoi
Mr. Rajendra Choudhary, SHO, with
Mr. Kanaram, HC, P.S. osian, District
Jodhpur (Rural).
Mr. Gurmehar Singh Sidhu, SHO, P.S.
Ph-8, Mohali, Punjab.

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINIT KUMAR MATHUR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA SHEKHAR SHARMA

Order

27/07/2026

1.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.
2.

On 08.07.2026, this Court has passed the following order:-

"1.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2.

Learned Additional Advocate General has produced the investigation report dated 07.07.2026, which is taken on record. He submits that the police party has located and traced the corpus, who is staying in Mohali. However, despite request having been made Punjab Police is not co-operating in the matter. He further submits that the Superintendent of Police, Jodhpur Rural has received a letter through speed post, wherein it has been stated that the corpus is living in live-in relationship at the address given in the letter and

since both the persons are anticipating grave threat to their life at the hands of petitioner, therefore, they are not ready and willing to appear before this Court. It is also stated that their counsel has mentioned that the corpus shall appear before this Court through video conferencing, however, nobody has joined through video conferencing also.

3. In view of the above, the respondents are directed to take appropriate steps requesting Director General of Police, Punjab to comply with the orders passed by this Court and to co-operate in the matter so that the corpus may be produced before this Court on the next date of hearing in appropriate police protection. It is further directed that proper police protection should be provided to the corpus while she is in transit from Punjab to Jodhpur.

4. List on 27.07.2026."

3. Today, Mr. Ramandeep Singh Gill as well as the corpus appeared through video conferencing and submit that the corpus is facing threats at the hands of the Rajasthan Police and is, therefore, unable to appear before this Court personally for recording her statements. He further submits that the corpus and the boy with whom she has eloped have obtained a protection order from the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court.

4. Mr. Ramprakash Dudi, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the corpus before this Court, prayed that one last opportunity may be granted him to produce the corpus before this Court.

5. Mr. Gurmeher Singh Sidhu, Inspector, Punjab Police, is also present in person before this Court. He submits that the local counsel Mr. Ramandeep Singh Gill, is not cooperating with the Punjab Police.

6. It is indeed surprising that despite the orders having been passed by this Court, the corpus has not been produced before this Court. The allegation made is that the corpus is facing a security threat from the Rajasthan Police.

7. We fail to understand that, when a protection order is in force and there is no restraining order passed by any court preventing the corpus from appearing before this Court, why she has still not been produced before this Court on the pretext that she is facing threats at the hands of the Rajasthan Police.

8. However, since Mr. Ramprakash Dudi, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the corpus, has prayed for a last opportunity to produce the corpus before this Court, we direct the respondent authorities to ensure presence of the corpus before this Court on the next date of hearing.

9. It is made clear that the security personnel of the Punjab Police alongwith Rajasthan Police may escort the corpus to this Court. It is further made clear that, if the corpus still fails to appear before this Court, appropriate orders for securing her presence shall be passed.

10. Let the corpus be produced before this Court on the next date of hearing.

11. List the matter on 30.07.2026.

(CHANDRA SHEKHAR SHARMA),J

(VINIT KUMAR MATHUR),J