

No	Date	Office Notes, reports, orders or proceedings or directions and Registrar's order with Signatures	COURT'S OR JUDGES'S ORDERS
			<p>C528 No.1247 of 2026 <u>Hon'ble Alok Mahra, J.</u></p> <p>Mr. Abhishek Joshi, Advocate for the applicant. Mr. Deepak Bisht, Deputy Advocate General for the State of Uttarakhand.</p> <p>2. A missing person report was lodged by respondent no.2 on 30.09.2025 alleging that his minor daughter had gone missing from the house at about 10:00 a.m. on the said date. In the report, the respondent expressed suspicion against the applicant on the ground that the victim was allegedly having a love affair with him. Consequently, the matter was investigated and, during the course of investigation, the victim was recovered in the company of the applicant.</p> <p>3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the statements of the victim were recorded by the Investigating Officer as well as before the competent Court, wherein she did not support the prosecution case. It is submitted that the victim categorically stated that she had voluntarily accompanied the applicant and she was in a consensual relationship with him and intended to marry him. Learned counsel further submits that, at the time of the alleged incident, the victim was more than 17 years of age and was capable of understanding the consequences of her actions. It is further contended that</p>

during trial, the victim was examined as P.W.1 and the complainant/respondent no.2 was examined as P.W.2 and P.W.1 has not supported the prosecution version.

4. Issue notices to respondent nos.2, returnable at an early date.

5. List this matter after service report is received.

6. Considering the submission advanced by learned counsel for the parties, it is directed that, till the next date of listing, further proceedings of Special Sessions Trial No.11 of 2026 pending before the Court of learned Special Judge, POCSO/F.T.C., Haldwani, District Nainital, shall remain stayed.

(Alok Mahra, J.)

03.06.2026

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