

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Transfer Petition(s)(Criminal) No(s). 680/2025

AYUSHI TYAGI

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

RAJNI ARORA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 195940/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 195938/2025 - STAY APPLICATION

Date : 20-08-2025 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MEHTA

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Sanjay Kumar Tyagi, AOR

For Respondent(s) :

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. Heard.

2. The respondent No.1 being the mother-in-law of the petitioner filed a petition under Section 12 of the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 (for short 'DV Act) in the Court of Judicial Magistrate (Mahila Court)-02, West District, Tis Hazari, Delhi wherein, prayers were made to restrain the petitioner from committing domestic violence upon her (complainant) and to pass a protection order under Section 18 of the DV Act. A further prayer to direct payment of monetary relief and compensation was also made.

3. The petitioner has approached this Court through this transfer petition alleging that she apprehends harm at the hands of respondent No.1, if she is forced to attend the hearing of the DV Act proceedings in the Court situated at West District, Tis Hazari,

Delhi and seeks transfer thereof to the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Saharanpur.

4. Having heard and considered the submissions advanced at bar, I am of the view that the apprehension expressed by the petitioner is misconceived. This Court in the case of *Vishal Shah v. Monalisha Gupta*, reported in 2025 SCC OnLine SC 383 has categorically held that the proceedings under the DV Act are quasi-criminal in nature and there is no requirement for personal presence of the parties. Thus, the petitioner can always appear in the proceedings pending before the Court at Tis Hazari, Delhi by virtual mode.

5. However, for the limited purpose of exploring the possibility of settlement between the parties, let notice be issued to respondents, returnable within a period of six weeks.

(LOKESH ARORA)
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT

(MANOJ KUMAR-II)
COURT MASTER (NSH)