

ITEM NO.22                      Court 1 (Video Conferencing)                      SECTION II

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

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No.9869/2021

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 21-10-2021 in AB No. 12/2021 passed by the High Court of Meghalaya at Shilong)

AKRAMUZ ZAMAN

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MEGHALAYA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and I.R. and IA No.165996/2021-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 04-01-2022 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA KANT  
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE HIMA KOHLI

For Petitioner(s)

Mr. Sidharth Joshi, Adv.  
Mr. Gopal Singh Chauhan, Adv.  
Mr. Deepak Goel, AOR

For Respondent(s)

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

The Court is convened through Video Conferencing.

Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and carefully perused the material available on record.

We are informed by learned counsel for the petitioner that his client as well as the victim-girl are married and they are living together. He has further contended that despite marriage having been solemnized, he has been falsely implicated in the case.

He prays for interim protection so that he is able to accompany his wife before the investigating officer to prove her age and that they are married and living together.

In view of the above, let notice be issued in this matter, returnable in six weeks.

Dasti service, in addition, is permitted.

Liberty is also granted to serve the Standing counsel for the State of Meghalaya.

In the meantime, interim protection from arrest is granted to the petitioner, until further orders.

Both the petitioner and his wife are directed to appear before the Investigating Officer to prove the age of his wife and further that they are living together.

The petitioner is directed to cooperate with the investigation at all stages. Additionally, the interim protection is also subject to the compliance of other conditions, as enumerated in Section 438 (2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.

(VISHAL ANAND)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(R.S. NARAYANAN)  
COURT MASTER (NSH)