

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

(113)

CR No.4794 of 2015

Decided on: July 31, 2015.

Gurmukh Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

Amandeep Kaur

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.S. BEDI

Present: Mr. Piyush Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

M.M.S. BEDI, J (ORAL)

The husband is aggrieved by order dated 28.05.2015 passed by the learned Additional District Judge, Ferozepur, granting a sum of Rs.10,000/- as maintenance pendente lite and sum of Rs.5,000/- as litigation expenses.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner earns Rs.25,000/- out of which he has to pay installment of Rs.9,000/- for the bank loan. It is not possible for the petitioner to pay unreasonable amount of Rs.10,000/- per month as maintenance pendente lite.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner.

The respondent-wife has claimed that the petitioner is a Government employee with Central Government drawing salary of Rs.45,000/- per month. Relying upon the salary slip, the trial Court has fixed the maintenance pendente lite. The scope of interference in the interim order passed in application under Section 24 of the Hindu

Marriage Act is meager. Even if, it is considered that the maintenance pendente lite is slightly on higher side and was inconvenient to the petitioner-husband, even then it is not sufficient enough to interfere in the interim order keeping in view the provisions of Section 21-B (2) of the Hindu Marriage Act, which provide that every petition under Hindu Marriage Act should be tried as expeditiously as possible and endeavour should be made to conclude the trial within a period of six months from the date of service of the notice of the petition on the respondent. Expecting that the trial Court shall adhere to the provisions of Section 21-B (2) of the Hindu Marriage Act, no ground is made out for interference.

Dismissed.

Counsel for the petitioner at this stage submits that no attempt has been made for referring the matter to Medication Centre. In this context, it is ordered that it will be open to the trial Court to refer the matter to the Mediation and Conciliation Centre at the local level in case the said request is made before it at any stage by either of the parties.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

July 31, 2015
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