

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-42860-2015.

Decided on: December 18, 2015.

SUNIL KUMAR

.. Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

PRAGATI & ANR

.. Respondent(s)

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

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PRESENT Mr.M.S.Khillan, Advocate, for the petitioner.

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

Petitioner has been directed to pay a sum of Rs.3,000/- per month to respondent No.1 Pragati, his minor daughter, born out of his wedlock with respondent No.2.

There does not appear to be any scope for interference in the order.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that since respondent No.2 has already remarried, he seeks mediation for custody or visitation rights so far as respondent No.1 is concerned.

On asking of the Court, it has been informed that proceedings for getting custody under Section 15 of the Guardian and Wards Act, have already been filed before the Court of competent jurisdiction. An attempt for mediation appears to be appropriate step for amicable and peaceful settlement of the controversy.

This petition is disposed of with a direction that in case the petitioner moves an application for referring the matter to mediation or Lok Adalat in proceedings under Section 125 Cr.P.C., or under Section 15 of the Guardian and Wards Act, the Court concerned shall make earnest endeavour to ensure the settlement by way of mediation or by Lok Adalat. In case any settlement is arrived at regarding payment of some lump sum amount for the minor child, the Mediator or the Lok Adalat, would take into consideration that aspect also.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

December 18, 2015.

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