

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

**T.A. No. 559 of 2015
Date of Decision: March 01, 2016**

Geeta

... Applicant

Versus

Rana

... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PARAMJEET SINGH
DHALIWAL**

Present: Mr. Raj Kapoor Malik, Advocate,
for the applicant.

Mr. Sumeet Puri, Advocate,
for the respondent.

Paramjeet Singh Dhaliwal, J. (Oral)

Instant application has been filed under Section 24 read with Section 151 of the Code of Civil Procedure for transfer of petition, under Section 13 of the Hindu Marriage Act (hereinafter referred to as the “Act”), filed by the respondent titled as “Rana vs. Smt. Geeta”, pending in the Court of learned District Judge, Family Court, Rohtak to the court of competent jurisdiction at Kaithal.

Learned counsel for the applicant contends that respondent-husband filed a petition under Section 13 of the Act for dissolution of marriage, which is pending before the learned District Judge, Family Court, Rohtak. The applicant has no source of income. Learned counsel further contends that the applicant is residing at her parental house situated in District Kaithal and it is not convenient for her to travel from Kaithal to

Rohtak to defend proceedings instituted by the husband. Petition under Section 12 of the Protection of Woman from Domestic Violence Act, filed by the applicant, is pending against the respondent at Kaithal. Learned counsel for the applicant relied upon a judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Deepti Bhandari vs. Nitin Bhandari and another, 2012 (1) R.C.R. (Civil) 506** and contended that it would be easier for the respondent-husband to attend the proceedings in Kaithal, than for the applicant to attend the same in Rohtak. Therefore, petition under Section 13 of the Act may be transferred to Kaithal.

Per contra, learned counsel for the respondent vehemently opposes the contentions raised by learned counsel for the applicant.

In view of the submissions made by learned counsel for the applicant, the circumstances mentioned in the application, pendency of other proceedings between the parties at Kaithal and keeping in view the decision of Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Deepti Bhandari (supra)**, this Court is of the view that it would be in the interest of the respondent as well that all proceedings are tried at one place as he will not be required to appear at different places on different dates. Accordingly, petition under Section 13 of the Act filed by the respondent titled "Rana vs. Smt. Geeta", pending in the Court of learned District Judge, Family Court, Rohtak is withdrawn and ordered to be transferred to learned District Judge, Kaithal, who may assign the same to the Court of competent jurisdiction there. Learned District Judge, Family Court, Rohtak shall ensure that entire record of the case is sent to learned District Judge, Kaithal.

Parties are directed to appear before the Court of learned District Judge, Kaithal on 21.03.2016. Parties will be at liberty to make a

request to the concerned courts for fixing both the afore-mentioned cases on one date. If such a request is made, the Courts shall make an endeavour to fix same date in both the aforementioned cases.

Disposed of.

March 01, 2016
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[Paramjeet Singh Dhaliwal]
Judge