

papers and proceedings of Petition No. A-618 of 2016 reaches the Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division, Pune, on or before 12th October, 2017.

(c) The parties and/or their Advocates shall appear before the Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division, Pune on 13th October, 2017 at 11.00 a.m. and obtain appropriate directions.

(d) The Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division at Pune shall allow the Respondent to proceed with Petition No. A-618 of 2016 alongwith Hindu Marriage Petition No. 601 of 2017 through video-conferencing.

(e) The Family Court at Bandra, Mumbai shall allow the Respondent and/or his Advocate to use the video-conferencing facilities available with the Court for the purpose of proceeding with Petition No. A-618 of 2016 alongwith Hindu Marriage Petition No. 601 of 2017.

(f) The Respondent is allowed to affirm, verify his pleadings/affidavits before the Family Court at Bandra, Mumbai and forward the same to the Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division at Pune which the Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division at Pune shall accept.

(g) The Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division at Pune shall hear Petition No. A-618 of 2016 alongwith Hindu Marriage Petition No. 601 of 2017 together and shall endeavour to dispose off the same within a period of six months from the date of this Order.

(h) The parties shall not seek adjournment/s unless absolutely necessary.

The Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division at Pune shall also not grant adjournment/s to either side unless absolutely necessary.

(i) Since the proceedings shall be conducted through video-conferencing, the Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division at Pune shall fix the hearing of the matter at the time specified in advance.

(j) The Respondent undertakes to remain present before the Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division at Pune in the event of the Court requiring him to remain present.

(k) This order shall not preclude the Respondent from appearing before the Court of Civil Judge, Senior Division at Pune in person and/or through his Advocate, if he so wishes/decides.

(l) The Applicant shall be allowed to file her written statement to Petition No. A-618 of 2016.

(m) All contentions of the parties are kept open.

3. The above Miscellaneous Civil Application (St) No. 17457 of 2017 is accordingly disposed off.

(S.J.KATHAWALLA, J.)