

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.**

Civil Revision No.7385 of 2016
Date of decision: March 07, 2017

Balraj Singh ...Petitioner

Versus

Manpreet Kaur alias Rinku & another ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA

Present: Mr. Rajbir Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.
None for the respondents.

Rajan Gupta, J.

Present revision petition is directed against the order dated 22.07.2016, passed by Additional District Judge, Sri Muktsar Sahib, whereby application under sections 24 and 26 of the Hindu Marriage Act filed by respondents has been allowed and Rs.4500/- per month has been granted as maintenance *pendente-lite*.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has assailed the order. According to him, petition under section 9 of the Act had already been allowed. The maintenance granted is on the higher side. Thus, order is unsustainable.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and given careful thought to the facts of the case.

It appears that petitioner instituted a petition under section 13 of the Hindu Marriage Act seeking divorce from respondent No.1 wife. During the pendency of the petition, application under sections 24

& 26 of the Act was moved by the respondents for maintenance *pendente lite*. Respondent wife claimed that petitioner was earning handsomely. After considering rival contentions, trial court came to the conclusion that respondent No.1 wife and the minor child were entitled to maintenance of Rs.2500/- and Rs.2000/- per month respectively, from the date of filing of application, along with litigation expenses of Rs.2000/-. The order under revision suffers from no infirmity. Revision petition is, thus, dismissed. Costs of Rs.10,000/- deposited by the petitioner be remitted by the registry to the court below to be returned to the petitioner as respondent has failed to appear despite service.

(RAJAN GUPTA)
JUDGE

March 07, 2017
'Rajpal'

Whether speaking / reasoned	Yes / No
Whether Reportable:	Yes / No