

SURESH KUMARI VS SATPAL

**PRESENT Mr.S.S.Duhan, Advocate,
for the appellant-wife.**

**Mr.Hardeep Singh Dhillon, Advocate, for
Mr.Vikram Singh, Advocate,
for the respondent-husband.**

Heard on the application of the applicant-appellant/wife for enhancement of interim maintenance of Rs.10,000/- per month to Rs.25,000/- per month, on the ground that earlier the respondent-husband was getting a salary of Rs.34,000/- per month and now his salary has been enhanced to Rs.73,400/-.

Reply has been filed admitting the enhancement of the salary of the respondent-husband but a plea has been taken that the respondent-husband has to look after his old aged parents and has to spend on their medicines etc.

We have considered the facts and circumstances of the present case. As the salary of the respondent-husband has been doubled, the applicant-appellant/wife is also entitled to be paid enhanced maintenance pendente lite commensurate with the financial status of the respondent-husband. Instead of enhancing the maintenance pendente lite from a sum of Rs.10,000/- per month to Rs.20,000/- per month, we deem it appropriate, in the interest of justice, to enhance it to Rs.18,000/- per month with effect from the date of application.

It is made clear that the amount has not been doubled taking into consideration the other liabilities of the respondent-husband mentioned in the reply.

With the enhancement of maintenance pendente lite as stated above, the instant application under Section 24 of the Hindu Marriage Act, stands allowed.

The enhanced amount will be continued to be deposited in the bank account of the appellant-wife by the respondent-husband.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

December 13, 2017.
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE