

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CR No.281 of 2016

Date of Decision: 08.02.2018

Jarnail Kaur

..... Petitioner

Versus

Jaswant Singh

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH

Present: Mr. Naveen Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurcharan Dass, Advocate
for the respondent.

KULDIP SINGH J. (ORAL)

In a civil suit for maintenance filed by present petitioner, an application under Section 24 of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 was filed. The trial Court vide impugned order dated 15.10.2015 ordered the respondent-husband to pay Rs.1,000/- per month to the petitioner-wife. The wife is aggrieved by the quantum of interim maintenance fixed by the trial Court.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have also carefully gone through the record.

It comes out that both the parties are of advanced age. The plaintiff-petitioner is 60 years of age and respondent husband is 63 years of age. It has also come out that there are three children of parties i.e. two sons and one daughter, who all are married.

Petitioner is residing with one son and respondent is residing with another son. Admittedly, respondent had 6½ acre of land. It is

contended on behalf of the respondent that the son is maintaining the petitioner and so is the case with the respondent. It is further stated that at the age of 63 years, respondent is unable to have any independent income, however, the ownership of the land is not denied.

Even if it is considered that one son is maintaining the petitioner and another son is maintaining the respondent. Petitioner need some money for personal expenses.

I am of the view that keeping in view the level of prices of essential commodities, now-a-days Rs. 1,000/- per month as a pocket money is grossly insufficient. Accordingly, the interim maintenance as fixed by the trial Court is hereby enhanced from Rs.1,000/- to Rs.5,000/- per month from the date of filing of the application.

The revision petition is allowed to the above noted extent.

(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE

February 08, 2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No