

SUKHJIT SINGH

VS

KIRANJIT KAUR

Present: Mr. J. S. Brar, Advocate for the appellant.

Mr. Ramesh Sharma, Advocate for the respondent.

This application is filed under Section 24 of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 ('Act' - for short) for grant of maintenance to the respondent and the minor child.

Shorn of the necessary details, it is pertinent to mention that the appellant is admittedly getting a gross salary of ₹1,68,880/- per month as per the salary statement of February, 2018 as he is serving as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Army. Similarly, the respondent has submitted that she is working as a Lecturer in the Government Senior Secondary School, Gumanpura, Amritsar and drawing the gross salary of ₹54,727/- per month.

Learned counsel for the applicant/respondent has, however, submitted that the maintenance application was filed in the year 2013 but at that time she was drawing a salary of ₹29,849/- from January, 2013 to July, 2016 and from July, 2016 to July 2018 it was ₹10,815/-.

Learned counsel for the non-applicant/appellant has submitted that as per the Army rules, salary to the extent of 5.5 % is being deducted for the purpose of payment of maintenance to the minor which according to him comes to ₹9,910/-.

We have heard learned counsel for the parties and after perusing the record, much less, keeping in view salary of both the parties as shown to us during the course of hearing, while maintaining the amount of maintenance to be paid by the non-applicant/appellant to the tune of

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hereby awarded to the tune of ₹20,000/- per month with effect from the date of filing the application.

With these observations, the present application is disposed of.

It is needless to mention that the amount determined by this Court shall be paid by the non-applicant/appellant along with the entire arrears within a period of three months.

The non-applicant/appellant may file an application thereafter for listing the case.

**(RAKESH KUMAR JAIN)
JUDGE**

**(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE**

**December 17, 2018
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