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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 131/2019**

SH. BHUWAN CHANDRA UPRETI AND ORS. Petitioners

Through Mr Atul Kumar Singh, Advocate.

versus

GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF DELHI AND ORS..... Respondents

Through Mr Sameet Vashisht, ASC (Civil) for R1
and R2.

Mr Jasmeet Singh, CGSC and Mr Srivats Kaushal,
Advocate for UOI.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIBHU BAKHRU

ORDER

% **09.01.2019**

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1. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. The application is disposed of.

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3. The petitioners have filed the present petition, *inter alia*, praying that directions be issued to respondent issuing singleness/bachelorhood certificate pertaining to their son. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners also points out that a print out taken from the website of Ministry of External Affairs, which indicates that a certificate of bachelorhood/single-status/eligibility can be obtained by filing a declaratory suit. He states that

such a suit was filed but was dismissed. A perusal of the order indicates that the said suit was dismissed for the reason that the petitioners' son had not filed the suit in his own name and, therefore, a declaratory order in their favour could not be issued. The Court had observed that such an order was required to be issued in favour of the son of the petitioners who ought to have arrayed as plaintiff. The petitioners have not challenged the aforesaid order.

4. Clearly, since a procedure has been prescribed by the Ministry of External Affairs for obtaining a certificate, such a mandamus as sought for by the petitioners cannot be granted. The present petition is, accordingly, dismissed leaving it open for the petitioners and/or their son to take appropriate action.

VIBHU BAKHRU, J

JANUARY 09, 2019

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