

CWP-18540-2021

Date of decision : September 17, 2021

KEERTY KAUSHIK AND ANOTHER

.....Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA & OTHERS

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Govind Chauhan, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Sharan Sethi, Addl. AG, Haryana.

LISA GILL, J.

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

Prayer in this petition is for cancelling/modifying/correcting marriage certificate dated 07.01.2019 (Annexure P1) issued by respondent No. 3.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners were married on 17.11.2018 according to Hindu rites, though one part of the *Saptpadi* ceremony was not carried out on advise of an astrologer. Said ceremony was carried out on 10.03.2019. In these circumstances, U.S. Embassy had asked for a fresh Marriage Registration Certificate for visa purposes. Petitioners, thus, applied as stated above for fresh certificate, which was not issued. CWP-20110-2019 was filed which was withdrawn as respondents took a stand that without cancellation of the first certificate, a fresh one cannot be issued. Petitioners, it is submitted, thereafter sought cancellation of certificate dated 07.01.2019 and issuance of a fresh certificate but despite submission of representation dated 24.01.2020 (Annexure P9) no action is being taken by the authorities.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners restricts the prayer for a direction that representation dated 24.01.2020 (Annexure P9), be decided by the authorities in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Sharan Sethi, Addl. AG, Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and does not raise serious objection to the limited prayer addressed.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of this case, but without any expression of opinion on the merits of the matter, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to decide representation dated 24.01.2020 (Annexure P9), within a period of two months from receipt of certified copy of this order, after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

September 17, 2021
Rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes/No
Whether reportable :	Yes/No