

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana, at Chandigarh

Civil Revision No. 1744 of 2022

Date of Decision: 19.12.2022

Shefali Walia

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

Naresh Kumar Walia

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anil Kshetarpal.

Present: Mr. Surinder Gandhi, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Ashok Satpal, Advocate
for Mr. Vinay Kataria, Advocate
for the respondent.

Anil Kshetarpal, J.

1. The Family Court has held that the petitioner is entitled to maintenance *pendente lite* @ ₹20,000/- per month as she is looking after the minor son.

2. It has come in evidence that the respondent is a Chartered Accountant, presently working as a Director in KPMG Global Services Private Limited, Delhi. His annual income is ₹50,61,127/- plus additional average pay of ₹8,93,252/-. Hence, his monthly income works out to ₹5,00,000/- per month. The petitioner wife is drawing a salary of ₹22,000/- per month (approximately).

3. It is obvious that the Family Court has erred in assessing the maintenance *pendente lite* @ ₹20,000/- per month only. It is not in dispute that son of the parties is residing with his mother (petitioner herein).

4. Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, the order passed by the Family Court is modified. The respondent-husband shall be liable to pay the maintenance *pendnte lite* @ ₹1,50,000/- per month from the date of filing of the application.

5. With the modification in the amount of maintenance *pendente lite*, the present revision petition is disposed of.

(Anil Kshetarpal)
Judge

December 19, 2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No