

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

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CWP-28833-2022

Date of Decision: 28.07.2023

GURPREET SINGH

... Petitioner

VERSUS

RASLEEN KAUR AND ANOTHER

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ.

Present: Mr. Vishal Kalra and Mr. Gagan Malhotra,
Advocates for the petitioner.

Ms. Tejaswini, Advocate (Legal Aid Counsel)
for respondent No.1.

Mr. Vivek Chauhan, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed for seeking directions for expeditious dispose of the divorce proceedings bearing Case No.DMC-249/2019 pending adjudication before the Additional Principal Judge, Family Court, Rohtak, Haryana.

Initially, respondent No.1 had chosen not to appear despite being served. Therefore, a legal aid counsel was appointed to assist the Court for disposal of the present petition. She (the legal aid counsel) has fairly conceded that the present petition being non-adversarial, hence there should be no objection for expeditious adjudication of the abovesaid divorce case which is pending before the Addl. Principal Judge, Family Court, Rohtak.

At this stage, respondent No.1 – Rasleen Kaur has appeared in person and produced the Demand Draft No.004688 dated 07.04.2023 and has informed that she could not get the same encashed as she had misplaced the same. Now she has found the same, but it has been expired.

The above said draft was handed over to respondent No.1 in Court vide order dated 18.04.2023. The same is returned to her with a direction to return the same to the petitioner.

Since respondent No.1 could not encash the above mentioned Demand Draft, the petitioner is directed to ensure that the same be got revalidated or be issued afresh in the name of respondent No.1 at the earliest and hand over the same to respondent No.1 before the Court below.

Accordingly, the present petition is disposed of with a direction that the petitioner shall ensure that there is no undue delay in the proceedings on his part. The Addl. Principal Judge, Family Court, Rohtak is requested to take the case on priority basis so as to finalize the proceedings expeditiously after affording due opportunity of hearing to both the parties.

JULY 28, 2023
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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No