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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL REVISION APPLICATION NO. 152 OF 2024**

Rohit Thakarshi Pipalia

... Applicant

VS.

Mita Rohit Pipalia and Anr

... Respondents

Mr. Rajaram Vaman Bansode, for Applicant.

Mr. Sonappa Nandvankar a/w. Mr. Behzad Irani, for Respondent No.1-Wife.

Ms. S.K. Gajare, APP for Respondent-State.

CORAM : GAURI GODSE, J.

DATED : 16th AUGUST 2024

ORDER :-

1. Learned counsel for the applicant on instructions states that some amount has already been transferred to the respondent's bank account towards arrears of maintenance. He further submits that as per the applicant's calculation, as on date there are arrears of around Rs. 35,000/-. He submits that the petitioner shall clear the aforesaid arrears at the earliest.

2. Learned counsel for the respondents disputes the said figure. As per respondent no.1, there are arrears of more than a Lakh of

rupees. Learned counsels for the parties are at liberty to exchange their calculations regarding payment of arrears and balance amount.

3. Both the counsels submit that the parties are willing to explore the possibility of an amicable settlement. They request that the parties be referred for mediation.

4. Parties are referred to Main Mediation Centre, High Court, Mumbai for appointment of an appropriate Mediator. Learned advocate for the applicant shall intimate this order to the Main Mediation Centre, High Court, Bombay.

5. Though the parties are referred for mediation, the petitioner shall pay the balance amount towards arrears of maintenance and supply calculations made by the petitioner to the learned advocate for respondent no.1. Learned advocate for the respondent no.1 is at liberty to respond to the said calculations.

6. In view of the aforesaid, no coercive action to be taken till the next date against the petitioner for recovery of maintenance.

7. Stand over to 13th September 2024, under the caption for 'settlement'.

(GAURI GODSE, J.)