

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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CRR(F)-73-2024

Date of Decision: January 24, 2024

Pramod

.....Petitioner(s)

Vs.

Neelam

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SUDEEPTI SHARMA

Present: Mr. Rohit Choudhary, Advocate
for the petitioner.

SUDEEPTI SHARMA J. (ORAL)

The petitioner in the present petition has impugned, the order dated 16.12.2023 passed by Ld. Principal Judge, Family Court, Faridabad, in a petition under Section 125 Cr.P.C. bearing No. MNT/476/2018 filed by the respondent, vide which the respondent has been awarded arrears of maintenance to the tune of Rs.20,000/- per month from the date of filing of petition besides awarding litigation expenses to the tune of Rs.8000/-.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that it is very difficulty for the petitioner to pay the awarded amount of maintenance to the respondent as he has to meet out his personal expenses and to pay the rent of the accommodation where he is residing. He further contends that the petitioner is earning only Rs.20,000/- p.m. as a Mechanic, therefore, the amount awarded by the Ld. Court below is on the higher side.

3. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the impugned judgment.

4. A bare perusal of the impugned order shows that the petitioner is receiving rented income whereas the respondent is not doing any job. Therefore, the maintenance to the tune of Rs.20,000/- p.m. as granted to the respondent as well as their minor child, who is staying with the respondent, by the Ld. trial Court, is not on the higher side.

5. Since the impugned order dated 16.12.2023 passed by Ld. Principal Judge, Family Court, Faridabad, is well reasoned. And it is the moral and legal duty of the husband/father to maintain his wife/child, therefore, I do not find any infirmity in the same. Hence, the present petition being devoid of any merits, is hereby dismissed.

6. All pending applications, if any, stand disposed of.

(SUDEEPTI SHARMA)
JUDGE

January 24, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No