

2024:PHHC:039821

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

114	CWP-6659-2024
	Date of decision: 20.03.2024
MANDEEP KUMARI	PETITIONER
Vs.	
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS	...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

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

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J (ORAL)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking direction to respondents to make amendment/correction in her passport bearing No. S4114801 issued on 03.07.2018 (Annexure P-1).

2. The petitioner claims that she had obtained ‘Panchayati Divorce’ from her husband and she does not want that name of her husband is recorded in the passport. Thus, she had made representation dated 28.12.2023 (Annexure P-2) with a request to respondent to delete name of her husband from the passport.

3. Concededly, there is no judicial order dissolving marriage of the petitioner. The only claim of the petitioner is that she had secured ‘Panchayati Divorce’. It is settled law that ‘Panchayati divorce’ is not recognized by law. This Court cannot ask the respondent to delete name of petitioner’s husband from her passport without a judicial order.

4. The present petition is hereby disposed of with liberty to petitioner to approach Competent Authorities. This Court is sanguine of the fact that Competent Authorities would look into grievance of the petitioner and redress in accordance with law.

20.03.2024
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[JAGMOHAN BANSAL]
JUDGE

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