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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

+ MAT.APP.(F.C.) 154/2024, CM APPL. 26958/2024, CM APPL. 26959/2024, CM APPL. 48797/2024, CM APPL. 75207/2024 and CM APPL. 31635/2025

SHEETAL JOSHAN ROYAppellant

Through: Ms. Shweta Singh, Adv.

versus

SOUMYAJIT ROYRespondent

Through: Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Dubey Sr.
Adv. with Mr. Rajesh Bhatia,
Mr. Hemant Kakkar, Advs.
with Respondent through VC

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARISH VAIDYANATHAN
SHANKAR**

ORDER

27.11.2025

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1. In the third sentence of paragraph no.2 of the order dated 20.11.2025, the word 'he' refers to the Respondent and not his counsel.

2. The Family Court, while deciding the application filed under Section 24 of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 [hereinafter referred to as 'HMA'], refused to grant maintenance to the Appellant-wife, however, proceeded to grant maintenance of Rs.25,000 per month each to support the two minor children of the parties, who are in the care and custody of the Appellant. It has come on record that previously, the Respondent was employed as Relationship Manager with First Abu Dhabi Bank. Thereafter, the Respondent worked as Director-Elite Banking (Full Time) with First Abu Dhabi Bank.



3. On the last date of hearing i.e. 20.11.2025, the Respondent, on the directions of the Court, appeared through Video Conferencing and filed an unattested affidavit disclosing his income to be approximately 33,000 AED per month, which if converted into Indian Rupees comes to the tune of approximately Rs.8 lakhs.

4. When the application under Section 24 of the HMA was filed in the year 2013, the Appellant claimed that she was no longer working.

5. Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, the Impugned Order dated 13.02.2024 *qua* declining the maintenance to the Appellant is hereby set aside, while directing the Family Court to decide the application under Section 24 of the HMA with respect to payment of maintenance to the Appellant afresh.

6. It is pertinent to note that this order has been passed keeping in view the fact that fresh documents have been filed by the Respondent before this Court and an opportunity is required to be granted to the Appellant to file the documents in support of her claim.

7. In view of the foregoing observations, the parties, along with their respective counsel, are directed to appear before the Family Court on 01.12.2025 i.e. the date already fixed.

8. The present Appeal, along with the pending applications, stands disposed of.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J.

HARISH VAIDYANATHAN SHANKAR, J.

NOVEMBER 27, 2025

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