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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **C.R.P. 197/2025 & CM APPL. 41276/2025**
JOGENDER KUMARPetitioner

Through: Mr. Naman Gupta and Ms. Mansi
Goyal, Advocates

versus

NEELAMRespondent

Through: None

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ JAIN

ORDER
21.07.2025

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1. Petitioner had filed a petition seeking divorce and despite there being service upon his estranged wife, she did not appear and, therefore, she was proceeded against *ex parte*.
2. When the aforesaid matter was at the stage of final order, wife/respondent moved an application seeking setting aside of *ex parte* order and the challenge in the present petition is to order dated 24.04.2025, whereby such *ex parte* order has been set aside and she has been permitted to participate in the *Divorce Petition*.
3. Impugned order records that if no written statement is filed by her within one month, her defence would be struck off. According to learned counsel for petitioner, so far he has not received copy or advance copy of any such written statement.
4. After hearing arguments for some time, learned counsel for petitioner, without prejudice to his rights and contentions, does not press the present



Revision Petition but seeks direction to the learned Judge, Family Court to expedite the disposal of the aforesaid *Divorce Petition*. He also submits that he would move appropriate application before the learned Family Court, seeking appointment of Local Commissioner for the purpose of recording of evidence.

5. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of as not pressed. However, learned Family Court is requested to give requisite priority to the aforesaid *Divorce Petition*, particularly, keeping in mind the fact that at one earlier point of time, matter had reached the stage of final orders.

6. Learned Judge, Family Court for would also ensure that no unnecessary adjournment is granted to any of the parties and, if any application is moved seeking appointment of Local Commissioner for the purpose of recording of evidence, it be also considered and disposed of without any delay as the petitioner has expressed his inclination to bear the entire expenditure of such proposed Commission.

MANOJ JAIN, J

JULY 21, 2025/dr/shs