



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

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CWP-11538-2026

Date of Decision: 04.05.2026

SHIKHA MAILK AND OTHERS

...Petitioners

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present:- Mr. Rujhan Dhawan, Advocate for petitioners

Mr. Dheeraj Jain, Senior Advocate (through V.C.) with
Ms. Shreyansi Verma, Central Government Counsel
For respondents-U.O.I.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioners through instant petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India are seeking direction to respondent to expeditiously process relative adoption application pending before Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA).

2. The petitioner No.1 is currently employed in USA as a Principal Regulatory Affairs Specialist. She is inclined to adopt her real brother's minor son-Samaksh Malik aged 15 years. She is a permanent resident of Gurugram. The minor child is currently residing with her in USA with the consent of biological parents. Both the families in January' 2025 decided adoption of minor child-Samaksh Malik by petitioner. Procedural rituals for adoption under Hindu law were performed with the consent of petitioner



Nos. 2 & 3 (parents of Samaksh). As child was to be taken out of India 'No Objection Certificate' from CARA and DC, Gurugram's approval was necessary. The petitioner attempted to apply for NOC under the Inter-Country Relative Adoption category but to no avail. Being unsuccessful in applying under Inter-Country Relative Adoption category through Application No. RLDL202511352917, she chose option of 'In-Country Relative Adoption'. Application was submitted on 04.12.2025 and is still pending.

3. Learned Senior Advocate appearing on behalf of respondent-U.O.I. submits that petitioners may be directed to appear before the authorities at Delhi. The competent authority would assist the petitioners and endeavour to resolve their problem.

4. Learned counsel for petitioners agrees to the aforesaid statement.

5. In the wake of statement of both sides, the petition stands disposed of. Petitioners shall appear before the authorities on 12.05.2026 at 11:00 am. The authorities shall cooperate with the petitioners and every endeavour shall be made to redress their grievances.

6. The petitioners would be at liberty to file fresh petition, if cause survives.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

04.05.2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No