## I/c Joint Registrar (J) (Budget)

May kindly see the online application of Sri Prikshit, Nyayadhikari- Gram Nyayalaya, Siyana-Bulandshahr regarding grant of permission for submission of his Ph.D. thesis, on the topic of "Law Relating to Panchayati Raj Institutions in State of Haryana with Special Reference to Role of Khap Panchayats" in the supervision of Prof. Vandana A. Kumar, Professor, Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh (earlier guide was Prof. Shalini Marwaha, Professor, Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh).

In his application, Sri Prikshit has submitted that he had joined U.P. Nyayik Sewa on 13.02.2020 after resigning from Jharkhand Judicial Services on 11.02.2020 and was enrolled (date of enrolment is 16.09.2016) and registered (date of registration is 03.01.2018) as a Ph.D. Research Scholar in Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh. He has also stated that his topic of research is "Law Relating to Panchayati Raj Institutions in State of Haryana with Special Reference to Role of Khap Panchayats" and Hon'ble High Court of Jharkhand was pleased to allow him to continue Ph.d. in Law but after her joining in Bulandshahr due to sudden emergence of Corona pandemic, he could not pay a visit to his institute in Chandigarh for consultation with his guide, due to which he could not send this application timely to the Hon'ble Court. He has, therefore requested to accept it and condone the delay in applying for the permission of Hon'ble Court. He has also submitted that he has already submitted his synopsis which has been approved in meeting of Board of Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh on 18.12.2017 and has not claimed any scholarships offered by University Grants Commission, that's why there is no requirement of compulsory attendance in his institution, now, he is in regular telephonic conversation with his supervisor and guide. Thereafter, through online objections, the officer was asked to intimate the status of his Ph.D. Course work, thesis submission, status of taking study leave alongwith the declaration relating to no attendance requirement. In reply, the officer has stated that he has completed his course work before his joining (result of course work can be seen as attachment) and also submitted two chapters till now. He has also stated that he is doing his Ph.D. under the supervision of Prof. Shalini Marwaha, Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh and also stated that no study leave is required to be taken in order to complete his PhD. He has further stated that he had already completed his course work before joining the Uttar Pradesh Judicial Services and copy of Certificate of Pre-Ph.d. Course completion can be seen under attachment heading 'Annexure-1', now he only requires the permission of Hon'ble Court for the submission of his thesis as nothing more is left to be done in Ph.D. He has also added that he is doing his Ph.D. under the supervision of Prof. Vandana A. Kumar, Professor, Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh (earlier guide was Prof. Shalini Marwaha, Professor, Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh and this fact is endorsed in his PhD registration letter which can be seen under attachment heading 'Annexure 2'. He has also submitted his declaration relating to non attendance of classes and the same can be seen under attachment heading 'Annexure 3'. He has, therefore, requested to Hon'ble Court to grant him permission for submission of his Ph.D. thesis to Panjab University.

In this connection, it is stated that the officer has joined the U.P. Judicial Service on 13.02.2020. There is circular letter dated 4.11.11, which provides that if any Judicial Officer during the course of his Service, requests to pursue higher studies, he has to apply for grant of 'Study Leave' as per rules which would be subject to the discretion of Hon'ble the Chief Justice. In the instant case, as the officer has stated that he do not require any study leave as he has already completed his course work prior to his joining and now only thesis submission is left. Now, It is on the discretion of the Hon'ble Court either to grant permission to the officer for submission of Ph.D. thesis or to pass any such order which deems to be proper.

May, therefore, if approved, the instant matter may be laid before Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pritinker Diwaker, Senior Judge (J-1) for His Lordship's kind perusal and if His Lordship approves:-Sri Prikshit, Nyayadhikari- Gram Nyayalaya, Siyana- Bulandshahr be granted permission for submission of Ph.D. thesis, on the topic of "Law Relating to Panchayati Raj Institutions in State of Haryana with Special Reference to Role of Khap Panchayats"" in the supervision of Prof. Vandana A. Kumar, Professor, Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh, as

requested.

Or

To pass any other order which  $\operatorname{His}$  Lordship deem fit and proper .

Archana Awasthi Review Officer Mohd. Arshad Assistant Registrar

## Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pritinker Diwaker,

## Senior Judge (J-1)

Submitted for kind perusal & order

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