

I/c Joint Registrar (Judicial) (Budget)

May kindly see the online application of Sushri Ankita Singh-III, Additional Civil Judge (Junior Division), Azamgarh regarding grant of permission to visit Maldives alongwith her would be husband after her wedding for a vacation tentatively from 13.02.2023 to 16.02.2023.

In her application, Sushri Ankita Singh-III has stated that she is getting married on 08.02.2023 and wants to go on holiday to foreign i.e Maldives after marriage tentatively from 13.02.2023 to 16.02.2023 during her earned leave that she would take for marriage. She has also stated that on the trip she would accompany her would be husband who is also a judicial officer in Uttar Pradesh Judicial Services. She has also added that she has never been to any foreign country since her date of joining i.e 16th November 2019 and has a valid passport (No.- T2880561) issued by Regional Passport Office in Lucknow on 16.08.2019. The expenses of the proposed foreign trip would be borne by the officer and her would be husband respectively. Her savings account number is 38956334865, which has a balance of Rs. 27000/- right now and as savings she has 3 Fixed Deposit which would get mature in the end of year (copy of the same can be seen as attachments and the same shows sufficient balance required for the trip). Proposed expenses of the foreign travel as suggested by the Travel Agent is Rs 45000 per person (relating papers can also be seen as attachments). She has also submitted her declaration which are as follows:-

1. That by her abroad visit, no dilemma is likely to create before the Government of India or before Government of Uttar Pradesh
2. That such type of request for abroad visit was not refused to her earlier.
3. That she has never visited any foreign Country before or after her joining.

Thereafter, through online objection, the officer was asked to clarify her position and her submission as her proposed tour period does not falls during any vacations/ official holidays. In reply, the officer has stated that as she is getting married in the month of February 2023 and would be on earned leave in that month. Furthermore she has stated that she wants to visit foreign country on the proposed dates i.e. 13th to 16th February 2023 for Honeymoon and as this is once in a lifetime visit after marriage therefore, she has humbly requested to Hon'ble High Court to please consider the same for the permission for which she would be highly obliged.

In this connection, it is submitted that grant of permission to visit abroad is considered in accordance to the G.O.1/3/98-Ka-Prasko/1999 dated 14 June 1999 and in accordance with Hon'ble High Court's Circular Letter No. 16/ IV-f-101/ Admin (A)/ dated 27.05.2017. As per reports, no vigilance/ departmental enquiry is pending against Sushri Ankita Singh-III. It is pertinent to mention here that the duration of her visit is from 13.02.2023 to 16.02.2023 i.e. about 04 days, which includes working days and as stated by the officer that she would be taking earned leave for her wedding and wants to visit Maldives with her would be husband post marriage, thus this trip appears to be a pleasure trip. As per the point no. (1) of Hon'ble High Court's Circular Letter No. 16/ IV-f-101/ Admin (A)/ dated 27.05.2017, Abroad tour by any officer shall not be availed of during working days of the Court or during the period of suspension/departmental proceedings, except in case of medical treatment of himself/ herself, spouse or dependent, or in special circumstances, and tours which are sponsored and/ or approved by the State/ Central Government during certain fixed span of time and does not fall during vacation. In these eventualities the Judicial officers shall seek permission before applying for VISA. In the instant case the officer has stated that she wants to visit foreign country on the proposed dates i.e. 13th to 16th February 2023 for Honeymoon and as this is once in a lifetime visit after marriage therefore she has requested for permission of the same. Now its upto the discretion of Hon'ble The Chief Justice and Hon'ble Administrative Judge, Azamgarh either as a special case, to grant her permission to visit Maldives from 13.02.2023 to 16.03.2023 alongwith her would be husband or to pass any other order. In this connection. It is also submitted that in the Hon'ble High Court's Circular Letter dated 27.05.2017, it has been settled that for the purpose of grant of such permission the competent authority for the judicial officers is Hon'ble the Administrative Judge of the District concerned, for the Judicial officers posted in judgeship or on the District of any deputation post, subject to approval by Hon'ble the

Chief Justice or any member of the Administrative Committee authorised by the Hon'ble the Chief Justice. Vide subsequent order dated 19.10.2020, Hon'ble the Chief Justice has been pleased to nominate Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pritinker Diwaker, to consider request of permission of the Judicial Officers to visit abroad in his place.

May, therefore, if approved, the instant matter may be laid before Hon'ble Mr. Justice Saurabh Shyam Shamsbery, Administrative Judge, Azamgarh for kind perusal and if His Lordship approves, as a special case, Sushri Ankita Singh-III, Additional Civil Judge (Junior Division), Azamgarh may be granted permission to visit Maldives alongwith her would be husband after her wedding for a vacation tentatively from 13.02.2023 to 16.02.2023, as requested, subject to approval by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pritinker Diwaker, Senior Judge (J-1), as per Hon'ble High Court's Circular Letter No. 16/ IV-f-101/ Admin (A)/ dated 27.05.2017 and order dated 19.10.2020 of Hon'ble the Chief Justice, as mentioned above with the condition that she will intimate actual dates of departure and return to India and also that proper charge of Government records or cash, if any, or any government property with her, may be handed over by her before proceeding abroad?

Or

To pass any other order, which His Lordship deems fit and proper.

Archana Awasthi

Review Officer

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice Saurabh Shyam Shamsbery,

Administrative Judge, Azamgarh

Submitted for kind perusal & order

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