

I/c Joint Registrar (Judicial) (Budget)

May kindly see the online application of Sushri Preeti Giri, Civil Judge (Junior Division), Faizabad regarding grant of permission to visit London from 25.12.2022 to 31.12.2022 including winter vacation of 2022; to meet her sister there.

In her application, Sushri Preeti Giri has stated that she wants to visit London to meet her sister and to spend time with her during winter vacation of 2022 from 25.12.2022 to 31.12.2022. Thereafter, through online objection, the officer was asked to intimate the expenditure and also be asked to submit copy of passport and declarations in the light of Hon'ble Court Circular letter dated 27.05.2017. In reply, the officer has stated that she has a valid passport P5441476 valid till 02.02.2027 and has never been to any foreign country since the date of her joining or before joining. She has also added that estimated expense would be Rs. 1,20,000/ and that would be borne by the officer (copy of bank statement can be seen as attachment). She has attached the copy of passport and also declared the following points:-

1. She would not do any act in United Kingdom which harms the integrity and sovereignty of Republic of India.
2. Her foreign travel would not affect Republic of India's friendly relation with any other country and it would not threaten security of Republic of India.
3. That by her abroad visit, no dilemma is likely to create before the Govt of India.
4. That request for abroad visit was not refused to her earlier.

She has, therefore, requested to place her application before the Hon'ble High Court for grant of permission for the aforesaid visit.

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 Preeti Giri. It is pertinent to mention here that earlier the officer had been granted permission for visiting abroad vide Hon'ble Court's order dated 10.06.2022 but the officer in her instant reply has declared with all honesty that though she has been granted permission of Hon'ble High Court to visit Paris , England from 12.06.2022 to 19.06.2022 but she couldn't visit her sister there during last summer vacation due to some unforeseen circumstances. 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 Hon'ble 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 is going to London to visit her sister and to spend time with her which appears to be a pleasure/ family trip during Christmas and winter holidays i.e. during non working days, thus her request appears to be considerable. Now its upto the discretion of Hon'ble The Chief Justice and Hon'ble Administrative Judge, Faizabad either to grant her permission to visit London during Christmas and winter holidays i.e. from 25.12.2022 to 31.12.2022 or to pass any other order. 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 Rahul Chaturvedi, Administrative Judge, Faizabad for kind perusal and if His Lordship approves, Sushri Preeti Giri, Civil Judge (Junior Division), Faizabad may be granted permission to visit

London from 25.12.2022 to 31.12.2022 including winter holidays, to meet her sister there, 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 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.

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rahul Chaturvedi,

Administrative Judge, Faizabad

Submitted for kind perusal & order

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