## Registrar (Judicial) (Budget)

May kindly see the online application of Sri Ravindra Kumar-II, Presiding Officer, Motor Accident Claims Tribunal, Lucknow (North) regarding grant of permission to visit Malaysia alongwith her daughter to attend a conference there from 12.08.2023 to 15.08.2023.

In his application, Sri Ravindra Kumar-II has stated that his daughter Ravija Tripathi, student of LL.B. 5th year at IPU Delhi, has to attend a conference at Malaysia from 12.08.2023 to 15.08.2023 and he has to accompany her as it would be her first abroad visit and she can't go alone (Invitation letter can be seen as attachment). Thereafter, through online objection, the officer was asked to submit declarations and information relating to his visit in the light of Hon'ble Court Circular letter dated 27.05.2017. In reply, the officer has submitted following declarations/information, as per Hon'ble Court's C.L. dated 27.05.2017:-

- 1. There is no any possibility of arising any dilemma before Government of India or U.P. due to his foreign visit.
- 2. such request was never refused to him.
- 3. He would attend 15th August celebration at Indian embassy or at any other government place.
- 4. The estimated expenditure of the visit would be Rs. 1,50,000/- which would be paid through the officer's salary account of SBI bank in which the MOD balance is 11,73,086 and saving balance is about Rs.25,123/- (Copy can be seen as attachment).

He has, therefore, requested to grant him permission to visit Malaysia to accompany his daughter as she has to attend a conference there.

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 Sri Ravindra Kumar-II. It is also pertinent to mention here that as the officer has also applied for issuance of 'Identity Certificate' from the Hon'ble Court for renewal of passport and the same matter is also at the level of Hon'ble Judge, at present, thus, it appears that yet now the officer does not passes the renewed passport. It is further to mention here that the officer has also been asked about this as to how he can travel abroad without having passport. In reply, the officer has stated that yet time is short to get passport but he can get urgent passport in 07 days. 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 for this trip from 12.08.2023 to 15.08.2023 which includes second Saturday, Sunday, and Independence day, thus there is only one working day of the Court in his visit and regarding independence day flag hoasting and celebreation. The officer has also stated that he would attend the same at Indian Embassy or any other government place. Now its upto the discretion of Hon'ble The Chief Justice and Hon'ble Administrative Judge, Lucknow either to grant him permission to visit Malaysia to accompany his daughter, who is going for her first abroad visit for attending a conference there 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. Recently, vide order dated 23.04.2023 regarding reconstitution of different Committees, Hon'ble The Chief Justice has been pleased to form a single Hon'ble Judge Committee i.e. Hon'ble Senior Judge (J-1) to deal with the matter of grant of permission to Judicial Officers to visit abroad.

May, therefore, if approved, the instant matter may be laid before Hon'ble Mr. Justice Kshitij Shailendra, Administrative Judge, Lucknow for kind perusal and if His Lordship approves, Sri

Ravindra Kumar-II, Presiding Officer, Motor Accident Claims Tribunal, Lucknow (North) may be granted permission to visit Malaysia along with his daughter from 12.08.2023 to 15.08.2023, as requested, subject to issuance of renewed passport & also subject to approval by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Surya Prakash Kesarwani, 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 23.04.2023 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 him, may be handed over by him before proceeding abroad?

Or

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

Archana Awasthi, Review Officer Munmun Narang, Section Officer Meetu Verma, Assistant Registrar Admin A-IV

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Kshitij Shailendra,

Administrative Judge, Lucknow

