

Registrar (Judicial) (Budget)

May kindly see the online application of Sri Honey Goyal, Addl. District & Sessions Judge, Bijnor regarding grant of permission to visit Hong Kong, Special Administrative Region of China from 24.12.2023 to 30.12.2023 including winter vacation.

In his application, Sri Honey Goyal has stated that he wants to visit Hong Kong, Special Administrative Region of China from 25th December 2023 to 30th December, 2023 including 24th December 2023 which is a holiday being Sunday. He has also stated that the approximate expenditure for the said trip including airfare, boarding, lodging etc. would be around Rs. 2,50,000/- jointly for the officer, his wife and his daughter and that would be borne from the officer's salary account (Copy of salary bank account statement can be seen as attachment). He has also added that the judicial work would not get affected in any manner being the trip in vacation period and he would not extend his leave in any case. Thereafter, through online objection, the officer has been asked to intimate the details/ information as required by Hon'ble Court's C.L. dated 27.05.2017. In reply, the officer has submitted required details/ declarations, which are as follows:-

1. That, there is no occasion of any possibility of arising embarrassing position before the Govt. of India or the Govt. of U.P., due to his visit to Hong Kong.
2. That, such request was never refused to him.
3. That, he has not visited any foreign country.
4. Copy of passport can be seen as attachment.

He, has therefore requested to Hon'ble Court to grant him permission to visit Hong Kong from 25.12.2023 to 30.12.2023.

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 Honey Goyal. It is pertinent to mention here that the duration of his visit is from 24.12.2023 to 30.12.2023, which includes Sunday, Christmas and winter holidays i.e. all non working days of the Hon'ble Court. 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 he wants to visit Hong Kong alongwith his family during non working days of the Court. Now its upto the discretion of Hon'ble The Chief Justice and Hon'ble Administrative Judge, Bijnor, to grant him permission to visit Hong Kong alongwith his family there from 24.12.2023 to 30.12.2023 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. Recently, vide order dated 23.04.2023- last modified on 29.08.2023 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 Saurabh Lavania, Administrative Judge, Bijnor for kind perusal and if His Lordship approves, Sri Honey Goyal, Addl. District & Sessions Judge, Bijnor may be granted permission to visit Hong Kong, Special Administrative Region of China from 24.12.2023 to 30.12.2023 alongwith his family during winter vacation, as requested, subject to approval by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Manoj Kumar

Gupta, Hon'ble The Acting Chief Justice/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- last modified on 29.08.2023 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 Saurabh Lavania,

Administrative Judge, Bijnor

Submitted for kind perusal & orders?

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