<u>Registrar (Judicial) (Budget)</u>

May kindly see the online application of Sri Rajendra Kumar Singh, Judge Small Causes Court, Sitapur regarding grant of permission to visit Sri Lanka from 18.02.2024 to 25.02.2024 along with his wife and son.

In his application, Sri Rajendra Kumar Singh has stated that his wife Dr. (Smt.) Ratna Singh has been selected to make a presentation in International Seminar to organised by Srijangatha in Sri Lanka from 18.02.2024 to 25.02.2024 (copy of invitation can be seen as attachment) and he has to accompany her in this International visit, for this he would have to visit Sri Lanka. He has also stated that for this visit all expenditure is to be paid by the officer from his account (copy of bank statement can be seen as attachment). Thereafter, through online objection, the officer has been asked to submit details as per Hon'ble Court's C.L. dated 27.05.2017. In reply of the same, the officer has submitted following declaration/ details/ information:-

1. That by his visit abroad there is no dilemma is likely to create before the Government of India or before the Government of Uttar Pradesh.

2. That such type of request for abroad visit was not refused earlier and prior to this, he had made request to visit Bhutan in June 2023 which was permitted by the Hon'ble Court.

3. He has visited to Bhutan with the permission of Hon'ble Court.

4. Copy of Passport can also be seen as attachment.

5. Expected expenditure of the visit is about Rs. 3,00,000/- including miscellaneous expenses (for three person alongwith wife and son). He has also clarified that he has to pay Rs. 73000/- per person to the authorise agent of the Institution i.e. Wornderworld Travels, New Delhi for Air tickets (from Chennai to Colombo and return), staying, travel, meals etc. and all expenditure would be incurred from his account (copy of bank statement having MOD balance about Rs. 17,82,771/- can be seen as attachment).

6. He has submitted that he is not going on pleasure trip. His wife Dr. Ratna Singh is a Research Scholar and selected for presenting paper in International discussion session of 22nd International Hindi Sammelan which is organised by Srijangatha, Raipur (Chhatisgarh) and It is essential of her educational carrier. Being spouse the officer wants to visit with her and accompany her on this abroad visit.

He has, therefore, requested/ prayed to Hon'ble Court to grant him permission to visit Sri Lanka for the aforesaid period in such special circumstances.

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 Rajendra Kumar Singh. It is pertinent to mention here that the duration of his visit is from 18.02.2024 to 25.02.2024, which includes two Sunday, alongwith 06 (six) 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 accompany his wife Dr. (Smt.) Ratna Singh, who has been selected to make a presentation in International Seminar to organised by Srijangatha in Sri Lanka from 18.02.2024 to 25.02.2024. It is also to mention that earlier the officer has been granted permission to visit Bhutan alongwith his wife and son from 04.06.2023 to 12.06.2023 vide Hon'ble Court's order dated 23.05.2023. Now its upto the discretion of Hon'ble The Chief Justice and Hon'ble Administrative Judge, Sitapur, to grant him permission to visit Sri Lanka alongwith his wife and son from 18.02.2024 to 25.02.2024 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 30.11.2023 relating to re-constitution of Committees, Hon'ble The Acting Chief Justice has been pleased to change the single Judge Committee appearing at sl. no. 3 of the list of Committees dated 23.04.2023- last modified on 29.08.2023, and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anjani Kumar Mishra is nominated in the said Committee, to deal with the matters relating to grant of permission to Judicial Officers to visit abroad.

May, therefore, if approved, the instant matter may be laid before Hon'ble Mr. Justice Karunesh Singh Pawar, Administrative Judge, Sitapur for kind perusal and if His Lordship approves, Sri Rajendra Kumar Singh, Judge Small Causes Court, Sitapur be granted permission, as a special case to visit Sri Lanka from 18.02.2024 to 25.02.2024 to accompany his wife; alongwith his son, as requested, subject to approval by single Judge Committee of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anjani Kumar Mishra, as per Hon'ble High Court's Circular Letter No. 16/ IV-f-101/ Admin (A)/ dated 27.05.2017 and order dated 30.11.2023 of Hon'ble The Acting Chief Justice relating to re-constitution of Committees, 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 Karunesh Singh Pawar, Administrative Judge, Sitapur Submitted for kind perusal & orders? Registrar(Judicial)(Budget)