

Registrar (Judicial) (Budget)

May kindly see the online application of Smt. Neelam Dhaka, Addl. District & Sessions Judge, Ballia regarding grant of permission to visit three countries in East Asia (Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia) during summer recess from 13.06.2024 to 21.06.2024.

In her application, Smt. Neelam Dhaka has stated that she recently got married and wishes to travel abroad with her husband for honeymoon for 9 days during her recess period in June 2024 (14-21 Jun 2024). She has also stated that all holiday expenses including board/ lodging/ travel etc. would be borne by her husband and they desire to visit three countries in East Asia (Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia). She has also stated that they expect to spend approximately Rs. 5,00,000/- for the whole trip and entire expenditure would be funded from her husband's salary, who is the CEO of a private sector company (copy of her husband's appointment letter and salary slips can be seen as attachment). She has also added that she had applied earlier for permission to visit Europe in holidays but had to withdraw her request due to insufficient time left for Visa processing. Thereafter through online objection the officer has been asked to submit her declaration and information as per Hon'ble Court's C.L dated 27.05.2017 and also be asked to intimate duration of visit as stated duration does not last for 9 days as stated. In reply, the officer has submitted following points:-

1. There is no possibility for any kind of dilemma before Government of India or U.P. due to her abroad visit.
 2. She has never made any such request earlier, nor it was refused. She has added that once she has withdrawn her request due to assumed delay in Visa procedure.
 3. She has never visited any foreign country earlier.
 4. Copy of bank statement of her husband having balance amount of Rs. 7,01,455/- can be seen as attachment.
 5. Copy of Passport can also be seen as attachment.
 6. Her flight on day 1 is scheduled at 12.05 A.M, so she calculated and mentioned accordingly (copy of itinary provided by tour and traveller company can be seen as attachment wherein departure date is mentioned as 13.06.2024)
- She has, therefore, requested to grant her permission to visit the aforesaid countries alongwith her husband for the aforesaid duration.

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, provided by concerned sections, no vigilance/ departmental enquiry is pending against Smt. Neelam Dhaka. 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. Now, in the instant case the officer is going to visit three countries in East Asia (Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia) during summer recess from 13.06.2024 to 21.06.2024 which includes non working days of the Hon'ble Court, thus this trip appears to be a pleasure/ family trip which falls during non working days of the Court. However, it is on the discretion of the Hon'ble High Court either to grant her permission or to pass any order which deems to be proper. 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 Hon'ble The Chief Justice. Recently 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 Rohit Ranjan Agarwal, Administrative Judge, Ballia for kind perusal and if His Lordship approves, Smt. Neelam Dhaka, Addl. District & Sessions Judge, Ballia may be granted permission to visit Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia during summer recess from 13.06.2024 to 21.06.2024 alongwith her husband, 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 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
Munmun Narang, Section Officer
Meetu Verma, Assistant Registrar
Admin A-IV

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rohit Ranjan Agarwal,

Administrative Judge, Ballia

Submitted for kind perusal & orders?

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