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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **CONT.CAS(C) 11/2023 & CM APPL. 471/2023**

MRS. NEETU GAUR Petitioner

Through: Mr. C.S. Rathor, Advocate with
Petitioner in person.

versus

SHRI SANJEEV KUMAR VASHIST Respondent

Through: None.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA

ORDER

% **06.01.2023**

CM APPL. 471/2023 (for exemption)

Allowed, subject to just exceptions.

Accordingly, the application stands disposed of.

CONT.CAS(C) 11/2023

1. The present petition has been filed stating that the Respondent remains in continuous violation of the interim maintenance order dated 10.04.2019. He states that the Family Court on 10.04.2019 had awarded an interim maintenance of Rs. 10,000/- to the Petitioner, wife and Rs. 5,000/- to the minor daughter who is in the custody of the Petitioner. He states that the Petitioner, wife, has filed three separate execution petitions which are pending adjudication before the concerned Family Court. He states however, the Respondent has not paid the maintenance amount due to the Petitioner even in the said execution proceedings. He states that the Respondent has obstructed the legal process and as on date a sum of Rs. 6,00,000/- is in



arrears and is payable to the Petitioner herein. He states that in the criminal revision petition filed by the Respondent, the Coordinate Bench of this Court has clarified that there is no stay of the order dated 10.04.2019. He states that in spite of the aforesaid clarification, the Respondent has not complied with the order and remains in wilful defiance.

2. In view of the facts set out in the contempt petition and the submissions made by the learned counsel for the Petitioner, it is, *prima facie*, evident that the Respondent has committed contempt of the order dated 10.04.2019 and has shown scant regard for the legal process.

3. This Court has also been informed that the Respondent is enrolled with the Bar Council of Delhi. It is, therefore, apparent that the Respondent is aware about the legal consequences of the non-compliance and being an officer of the Court, complied with the order dated 10.04.2019 without any default.

4. Upon steps being taken by the Petitioner, issue notice through all modes including electronically to the Respondent.

5. List on 19.04.2023.

MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA, J

JANUARY 6, 2023/msh/aa