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

+ **TR.P.(C.) 141/2025**

MEGHNA DEMLANI

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Alok Kumar, Mr. Abhishek
Kaushal and Mr. Pranjal Jaiswal,
Advocates.

versus

KAPIL CHANDANA

.....Respondent

Through:

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUP JAIRAM BHAMBHANI

ORDER

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06.08.2025

CM APPL. 48016/2025 (exemption)

Exemption granted, subject to just exceptions.

Let requisite compliances be made within 01 week.

The application stands disposed of.

TR.P.(C.) 141/2025 & CM APPL. 48015/2025

By way of the present petition filed under section 24 read with section 151 of the Code of Civil Procedure 1908, the petitioner seeks transfer of the petition under section 13(1)(1-a) and (1-b) of Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 ('HMA') titled *Sh. Kapil Chandana vs. Smt. Meghna Demrani @Ridhima Chandana* (CNR No.DLNT040034 162024) bearing HMA No.10/2025 from the court of Ld. Principal Judge, Family Court, North, Rohini, Delhi to the court of Ld. Principal Judge, Family Court, South-East District, Saket Court, New Delhi.

2. Mr. Alok Kumar, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits, that 03 proceedings filed by the petitioner (wife) under section 125 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1973 ('Cr.P.C.'),



section 12 of the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 (which were filed in 2022) as well as the proceedings in the FIR filed by her under section 498-A IPC (and other related provisions), are pending before the courts in South-East District, Saket Courts.

3. Counsel submits, that in misuse of the provisions of section 19(iii) of the HMA, and only in order to harass the petitioner (wife), the respondent (husband) has filed the divorce petition before the learned Family Court, North, Rohini, on the premise that the place where the parties last resided together falls within the territorial jurisdiction of that court. He submits that the proceedings before the courts in the South-East District, Saket are at a more advanced stage, having been filed 03 years ago.
4. Issue notice.
5. Upon the petitioner taking steps, let notice be sent to the respondent by all permissible modes, returnable for the next date.
6. Let the notice indicate that reply to the application be filed within 03 weeks of service; rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within 02 weeks thereafter; with copy to the opposing counsel.
7. Re-notify on 27th October 2025.
8. In the circumstances of the case, and on a *prima-facie* view of the matter, the proceedings in HMA 10/25 pending before the court of Ld. Principal Judge, Family Court, North, Rohini, Delhi shall remain *stayed*, till the next date of hearing before this court.

ANUP JAIRAM BHAMBHANI, J

AUGUST 6, 2025/ak