

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI**

**F.A No.225 of 2025**

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Subodh Kumar ..... ... **Appellant**  
**Versus**  
Shivani ... ... **Respondent**

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**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUJIT NARAYAN PRASAD**  
**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY PRASAD**

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For the Appellant : Mr. Akhouri Awinash Kumar, Advocate  
For the Respondent : Mr. Mukesh Kumar, Advocate

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**Order No.04/Dated: 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2026**

1. Mr. Akhouri Awinash Kumar, the learned counsel appearing for the appellant-husband has submitted that the Demand Draft bearing no.020214 dated 10.04.2026 amounting to Rs.15000/- is handed over to the learned counsel appearing for the respondent-wife in compliance of the order dated 02.02.2026 of this Court.
2. Mr. Mukesh Kumar, the learned counsel appearing for the respondent-wife has received the aforesaid Demand Draft by giving acknowledge thereof.
3. The learned counsel has undertaken that the said Demand Draft will be handed over to the respondent-wife.
4. When this case has been taken up, the learned counsel appearing for the respondent-wife has submitted that the amount of maintenance as has been directed by the learned Family Judge in exercise of the power conferred under section 125 Cr.PC assessing the amount to the tune of Rs. 18,000/- per month for maintenance of the respondent-wife including her minor daughter has not been paid as yet by the appellant-husband.
5. This Court, considering the aforesaid fact, is of the view that the purpose of granting maintenance amount either under section 125 Cr.PC or under section 24 of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 is by way of ad-interim major for sustenance of one of the spouses, herein the respondent-wife.
6. Due to non-payment of the said amount, since the very purpose of the object and intent of the Act is being flouted and, as such, the

appellant-husband is to justify why the instant appeal will be considered on merit.

7. Upon this, the learned counsel appearing for the appellant-husband has submitted that if the amount of maintenance has not yet been paid, the same will be paid within two weeks.
8. Considering such submission, let this matter be listed on 07.05.2026.

**(Sujit Narayan Prasad, J.)**

**(Sanjay Prasad, J.)**

Dated:20.04.2026.  
Sudhir