2026:AHC:212602

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

MATTERS UNDER ARTICLE 227 No. - 14260 of 2026

Vikas Gangwar

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

Neetu Gangwar

.....Respondent(s)

Counsel for Petitioner(s) : Praveen Kumar Mishra, Saurabh Tripathi

Counsel for Respondent(s) :

Court No. - 9

HON'BLE ROHIT RANJAN AGARWAL, J.

1. This writ petition has been filed with the following prayer:

> *"I. Issue an appropriate order or direction directing the learned Principal Judge, Family Court, Farrukhabad to make an endeavour to proceed with and decide Matrimonial Petition No. 118 of 2021, Vikas Gangwar vs. Neetu Gangwar, expeditiously, preferably within such period as may be considered appropriate by this Hon'ble Court, without granting unnecessary adjournments to either party, subject to the pendency and exigencies of the learned court below."*

2. It is contended by counsel for the petitioner that divorce petition is pending consideration since 2021.

3. Section 21B of Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 (*hereinafter referred to as "Act of 1955"*) provides as under :

> *"21B. Special provision relating to trial and disposal of petitions under the Act.?*
>
> *(1) The trial of a petition under this Act shall, so far as is practicable consistently with the interests of justice in respect of the trial, be continued from day to day until its conclusion unless the court finds the adjournment of the trial beyond the following day to be necessary for reasons to be recorded.*
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> *(2) Every petition under this Act shall be tried as expeditiously as possible and endeavour shall be made to conclude the trial within six months from the date of service of notice of the petition on the respondent.*
>
> *(3) Every appeal under this Act shall be heard as expeditiously as*

possible, and endeavour shall be made to conclude the hearing within three months from the date of service of notice of appeal on the respondent."

4. As the Act of 1955 itself provides for deciding the divorce petition within fixed period of time, there is no need for issuing a separate direction to the Court concerned. The Principal Judge, Family Court to proceed in accordance with Section 21B of Act of 1955.

5. Writ petition stands disposed of.

(Rohit Ranjan Agarwal,J.)

October 9, 2026
(V. S. SINGH)

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VIDYA SAGAR SINGH
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