



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CR No. 5529 of 2025 (O&M)  
DATE OF DECISION: 19.08.2025

MANPREET KAUR

.....PETITIONER

Vs.

MANPREET SINGH

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMARINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Navraj Singh, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

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AMARINDER SINGH GREWAL, J.

1. Prayer in the present Civil Revision Petition, filed under Article 227 of the Constitution of India, is for setting aside the impugned order dated 18.07.2025 (Annexure P-1), passed by the learned Principal Judge, Family Court, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar (Camp Court at Balachaur), in HMA Petition No. 692-2025, to the extent it mandates the petitioner to record her evidence only through the Indian High Commission, and further for issuance of a direction to permit the petitioner to depose either through her registered 'WhatsApp' number or by any other suitable electronic mode.

2. I have heard learned counsel for the revisionist-petitioner and perused the paper-book.

3. A perusal of the records reveals that petitioner Manpreet Kaur, wife of Manpreet Singh (respondent), has filed a petition under Section 13 of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955, against the respondent Manpreet Singh, son of Balvir Singh, seeking dissolution of marriage by a decree of divorce.



During the pendency of the matter before the learned Principal Judge, Family Court, SBS Nagar (Camp Court at Balachaur), an application was filed by the petitioner seeking permission to record her evidence by way of video conferencing through '*WhatsApp*' No. +44-7466174666 or by any other suitable electronic/social media mode.

4. In the application, it was submitted that for the last many years the petitioner has been residing in the United Kingdom for her studies and livelihood, and in the near future she is unable to come to India. Accordingly, it was prayed that she may be permitted to record her statement on her aforesaid '*WhatsApp*' number.

5. The learned Principal Judge, Family Court, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar (Camp Court at Balachaur), disposed of the application by holding that the petitioner is granted permission to record her statement on 08.08.2025 through video conferencing, in terms of Rule 5.3.1 of the '*Rules for Video Conferencing for Courts*'. The grievance of the petitioner, however, is that her statement should be recorded directly through her aforesaid '*WhatsApp*' number, and she should not be examined in accordance with the aforesaid Rule 5.3.1, particularly as a letter has already been addressed to the High Commission of India in the United Kingdom regarding her examination.

6. Having considered the facts and circumstances of the present case, this Court is of the opinion that proper guidelines and rules have been framed regarding recording of the statement of witnesses. Since Rule 5.3.1 of '*the Rules for Video Conferencing for Courts*' specifically governs such recording, this Court finds that the learned Principal Judge, Family Court,



Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar (Camp Court at Balachaur) did not commit any error in directing that the petitioner's statement be recorded on 08.08.2025 through video conferencing in accordance with Rule 5.3.1 of 'the Rules for Video Conferencing for Courts.'

7. Thus, this Court finds no merit in the prayer for setting aside the order dated 18.07.2025 (Annexure P-1), passed by the learned Principal Judge, Family Court, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar (Camp Court at Balachaur).

8. Finding no illegality in the order dated 18.07.2025 (Annexure P-1), the present revision petition, being devoid of merit, is accordingly dismissed.

9. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

**AUGUST 19, 2025**  
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**(AMARINDER SINGH GREWAL)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether Speaking	Yes
Whether Reportable	No