

"Alimony Not For Financially Independent" : Delhi Court Denies Maintenance to Railway Officer

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court has ruled that alimony cannot be awarded to a spouse who is financially self-sufficient and independent, observing that permanent alimony is a measure of social justice and not a tool for enrichment or financial equalisation between capable individuals. A Division Bench of Justices Anil Kshetarpal and Harish Vaidyanathan Shankar said the law requires the person seeking alimony to demonstrate a genuine need for financial assistance. "Judicial discretion under Section 25 [of Hindu Marriage Act (HMA)] cannot be exercised to award alimony where the applicant is financially self-sufficient and independent, and such discretion must be exercised properly and judiciously, based on the record, the relative financial capacities of the parties, and the absence of any material demonstrating economic vulnerability on the part of the Appellant," the Court held, Bar and Bench reported. The Bench made the observation while upholding a family court order that denied permanent alimony to a woman and granted divorce to her husband on grounds of cruelty. Both spouses, the husband, a practising advocate, and the wife, a Group A Indian Railway Traffic Service (RTS) officer, had been previously divorced before marrying in January 2010. They separated within 14 months of marriage. The husband alleged mental and physical cruelty, including abusive language, insulting text messages, denial of conjugal

rights and humiliation in professional and social circles. However, the wife denied the allegations and counter-accused him of cruelty. The family court dissolved the marriage and noted that the wife had demanded Rs 50 lakh as a financial settlement to agree to the divorce, a claim she admitted in her affidavit and during cross-examination, Bar and Bench reported. The High Court found no reason to interfere with this finding. "The inference drawn by the learned family court that the Appellant's approach bore a clear financial dimension cannot be said to be unfounded or unreasonable; rather, it was a logical conclusion based on the evidence before it," the Bench said. It further observed that the wife had used "degrading language" against her husband and his mother, calling him of illegitimate birth, conduct that amounted to mental cruelty.



Ultimately, the High Court refused to grant permanent alimony, noting that the woman was a senior government officer earning a substantial income and thus financially independent. "The short duration of cohabitation, the absence of children, the Appellant's substantial and independent income, and the lack of credible evidence of financial necessity cumulatively negate any claim for permanent alimony. Accordingly, we find no justifiable ground to interfere with the findings of the learned Family Court, and the prayer for permanent

alimony is therefore rejected," the Bench said, dismissing her plea. **Rising Alimony Demands Under Judicial Scrutiny** The ruling comes amid a growing trend of high-value alimony claims in India, which courts have increasingly scrutinised. In July, a woman's petition seeking a house in Mumbai, Rs 12 crore as maintenance, and a high-end BMW car prompted Chief Justice of India BR Gavai to remark that she was "highly qualified" and capable of earning her livelihood.

Delhi Surgeon, Accused Of Harassment By Nurse, Not Suspended, AIIMS Clarifies

New Delhi: Senior surgeon AK Bisoi hasn't been suspended as the head of the Cardio Thoracic and Vascular Surgery (CTVS), AIIMS Delhi said today. The clarification came after reports claimed Bisoi was suspended following a complaint of harassment by a woman nursing officer. "There are adverse media reports circulating regarding a Professor of CTVS at AIIMS, New Delhi. It is clarified that the said doctor is not suspended," the institu-

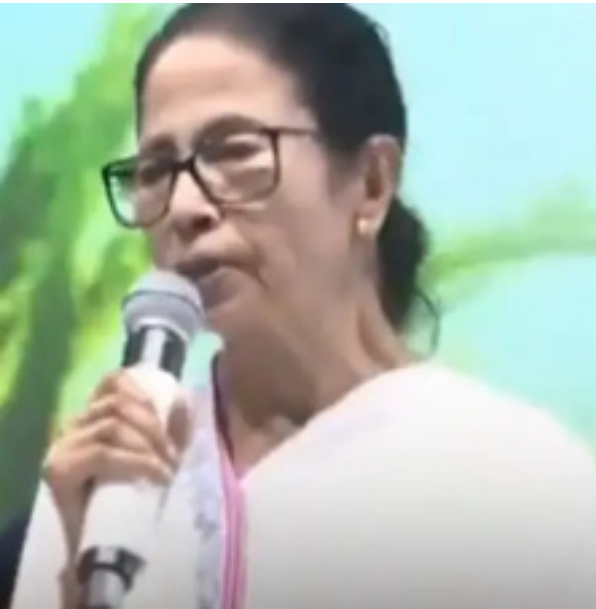
tion said. However, the responsibilities of the department have been assigned to another doctor to "ensure a fair inquiry" into the harassment complaint, it said. The AIIMS administration handed over the charge of the CTVS department to senior professor Dr V Devagourou. "In view of a complaint, the responsibilities of the head of the department of CTVS have been assigned to the next senior-most Professor of the same

department, to ensure a fair enquiry," it added. The AIIMS Nurses Union had filed a complaint with the AIIMS director and the Prime Minister's Office alleging workplace intimidation, harassment and repeated use of "vulgar, unprofessional and derogatory language" targeting the women staff. "We have received information that during his morning rounds, Dr Bisoi intimidated nurses by openly threatening to teach a lesson to those who had

Reconsider, Revoke Appointment Of Gorkha Talks Interlocutor: Mamata Banerjee To PM Modi

Kolkata: Expressing "surprise and shock" over the appointment of an interlocutor to hold discussions on the issues relating to Gorkhas, Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Saturday wrote to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and demanded revocation of the decision. "This appointment has been made without any consultation with the Government of West Bengal, even though the issues under reference directly relate to the governance, peace, and administrative stability of the area under Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA), an autonomous body under Government of West Bengal," Mamata Banerjee posted on X. The Chief Minister claimed her government was not consulted before retired IPS officer Pankaj Kumar Singh was appointed as an interlocutor to hold discussions on the issues relating to Gorkhas

in Darjeeling Hills, Terai and Dooars regions of Bengal, which she said was "inconsistent with the spirit of cooperative federalism". "Such unilateral action is inconsistent with the spirit of cooperative federalism that forms one of the foundational principles of our Constitution," she added. She underlined that any initiative concerning the Gorkha community must involve the Bengal government to ensure sustained peace and harmony in the region. "It may be recalled that the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA) was constituted following a Tripartite Agreement signed on 18th July, 2011 at Darjeeling, between the Government of India, the Government of West Bengal and the Gorkha Janamukti Morcha (GJM) in the presence of the then Hon'ble Union Home Minister and the Chief Minister of West Bengal," she said. "The Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA) was



created to ensure socio-economic, infrastructural, educational, cultural and linguistic developments of the hill areas, while safeguarding the ethnic identity of the Gorkhas and promoting peaceful co-existence among all communities, a hallmark of the unity and harmony of the hills," she noted. Mamata Banerjee said the Bengal government is firmly of the view that any initiative concerning the Gorkha community or the GTA region must be undertaken in full consultation with it, in order to preserve the "hard-earned peace and tranquillity in the region". "Any unilateral action in this sensitive matter will not be in interest of peace and harmony in the region," she maintained.

The Great INDIA Bloc Muddle: A Comedy Of Errors In Bihar

Patna: In the unfolding drama of the Bihar assembly polls, the INDIA bloc - an alliance that once promised a united front against the ruling NDA - has transformed into a farcical spectacle of misalignment and muddle. As the first phase of elections looms, the scene is set not for a robust battle against the NDA but rather for a series of "friendly fights" that threaten to undermine the very foundation of this coalition. If there is any certainty in this political labyrinth, it is that the NDA stands to benefit from the disarray that has gripped the INDIA bloc. There are some 10 key "friendly contests" between the Mahagathbandhan candidates that will lead to 'hara-kin' for the INDIA bloc. Here lies the paradox: while the leaders of the RJD, Congress, and Vikassheel Insaan Party (VIP) proclaim their "friendly" contests,

they are inadvertently sharpening the blades for their own undoing. With 10 constituencies in contention, the narrative of camaraderie quickly morphs into a battleground where allies clash, each vying for supremacy in a race that should be about collective strength. In Vaishali, Tarapur, Kutumba and other hotspots, RJD candidates face off against Congress and VIP hopefuls, prompting the NDA to gleefully observe the internecine squabble. In Bachwara, to use the language of pollsters, a typical "marginal seat" or "swing seat", where the margin of victory in 2020 was barely 484 votes (CPI's Abdeshe Singh had lost to BJP's Surendra Mehta), the Congress had given a ticket to Shiv Prakash Garib Das, who stood a distant third as an independent. If there are friendly fights aplenty, can victory be anything but a

distant dream for the Mahagathbandhan? **Mahagathbandhan: From Formidable Alliance To Fragile Coalition** The stage is further complicated by the confusion and delay surrounding candidate announcements. While the Congress has managed to release its list of 48 candidates, the other parties within the bloc have faltered in their preparations. This lack of cohesion speaks volumes about the fragile nature of this alliance, which had initially appeared to be a formidable opposition. The RJD's Tejashwi Yadav, along with other leaders, has been engaged in endless dialogues, yet the outcome remains nebulous. The absence of a clear seat-sharing arrangement is a glaring testament to their disarray. Mukesh Sahani, the VIP chief, announced his withdrawal from the elections just as the dust

was beginning to settle, declaring his intentions to support his party's candidates instead. The cruel truth is Mukesh Sahani has never won a single election in his entire political career, even when he has contested from Mallah-Sahani-Nishad-dominated constituencies. At a time when leaders like Rahul Gandhi and Tejashwi Yadav have campaigned on foot or on motorcycles across Bihar, during the 16-day Voter Adhikar Rally and the five-day Bihar Adhikar Rally, Mukesh Sahani only does aerial campaigns like traditional VIPs via choppers and organises press conferences in five-star hotels. Prashant Kishor walks the entire length and breadth of Bihar, while leaders like Mukesh Sahani cut deals but do no ground campaign, trying to establish mass contacts with voters. Mukesh Sahani had earlier decided to quit the Mahagathbandhan alliance since the RJD leadership was inflexible with his outrageous demands. CPI-ML's Deepankar Bhattacharya had to call Rahul Gandhi late at night to intervene and pacify Mukesh Sahani.

INDIA Bloc's Lack Of Clarity, Direction And Purpose Sahani's last-minute accommodation after tantrums reflects a deeper instability within the Mahagathbandhan alliance. His announcement is a microcosm of the larger malaise that afflicts the INDIA bloc - a lack of clarity and direction. Sahani's aspirations to ascend to the role of Deputy Chief Minister, without even contesting, illustrate the competing ambitions lurking beneath the surface, adding to the utter chaos. The irony is

striking; what was intended as a collaborative effort has devolved into a series of self-inflicted wounds. The ruling NDA, with its cohesive narrative and defined strategy, has become the unlikely beneficiary of the INDIA bloc's missteps. Each time an RJD candidate stands against a Congress or VIP rival, the NDA's chances of winning those constituencies only increase. The narrative crafted by the NDA is that of a divided opposition, and the INDIA bloc's attempts to project unity ring hollow in the face of their internal conflicts.



Interests Of Farmers, Small Industries To Be Protected In India-US Trade Talks: Piyush Goyal

New Delhi: Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal on Saturday said talks between India and the US on the proposed bilateral trade agreement are progressing in a cordial atmosphere and New Delhi will protect the interests of farmers, fishermen and MSME sectors. "Bharat ke kisano ka, machhusearon ka, Bharat ke MSME sector ka, jub tak desh hiton ko puri tarah se hum sambhalen nai, tab tak koi agreement kiya nai jata (No agreement can be made until we take care of the interests of India's farmers, fishermen and MSME sector)," he told

reporters here. He was replying to a question about the progress of talks between the two countries on the proposed pact and by when it will be concluded. "Talks are going on in a cordial atmosphere," he said. The remarks are important as the US is seeking concessions in India's agriculture sector. The Indian official team, headed by Commerce Secretary Rajesh Agrawal, was in Washington this week to hold trade talks with their US counterparts. In February this year, leaders of India and the US directed officials to negotiate a proposed Bilat-

eral Trade Agreement (BTA). They have fixed a deadline to conclude the first tranche of the pact by the fall (October-November) of 2025. So far, five rounds of negotiations have been completed. Last month, Goyal led an official delegation to New York for trade talks. These deliberations are important as the relations between the two countries have been reeling under severe stress after the Trump administration imposed a steep 50 per cent tariff on Indian goods. It includes a 25 per cent additional import duty for buying Russian crude oil.

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