

OFFICE ORDER

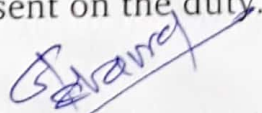
As per the directions issued by the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay dated 18/5/2020, following order is passed in addition to office order passed on 18/5/2020.

1. All the Judges of Family Court shall pronounce Judgments in the cases which are posted for the delivery of Judgment and also pass suitable orders in the cases which are brought before them in the form of compromise after due verification and acceptance of such compromise by any mode as deem suitable in the given situation before them.
2. Parties willing to settle the dispute compromise or to get petitions of divorce by mutual consent disposed off shall apply at the designated email and the Judge on duty shall convey to the respective parties the date and time slot for appearance through video conference for verification and identification of parties. All the litigants and concerned advocates by disclosing their identification by mentioning their photo IDs shall get the litigants verified and after due verification matter shall be placed before presiding officer of the concerned Court for passing necessary orders. It is to be noted that this office order shall be read in continuation with all earlier office orders passed in view of the circulars passed by Hon'ble High Court of Bombay from time to time.
3. The entry gate of the Family Court of Bandra, Mumbai is hereby earmarked for the work of affirmation/declaration of parties

between 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. on working days and same shall be restricted only in the respect of compromise to be entered between litigants or second motion of the petitions for divorce by mutual consent or converted divorce petitions and not for filing regular cases.

4. All the litigants and advocates appearing for affirmation/declaration shall take note that they shall take care of all safety measures as directed by the State and Central Government from time to time i.e. they all shall wear mask and also shall have Arogya Setu App downloaded in their mobile phones and they shall maintain social distancing etc. It is to be noted that the litigants failing to observe precautions shall not be entitled for the respective affirmation/declaration.

5. In so far as counselling by marriage counsellor for getting petitions for divorce by mutual consent or converted divorce is concerned, same shall be done by the counsellor present on the duty.


(Manoj S. Sharma)
Principal Judge
Family Court, Mumbai

Date : 19th May, 2020