

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**C.R.M-M No.2008 of 2015
Date of Decision : 29.01.2015**

Ran Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. G.S. Bedi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashish Yadav, Addl.A.G., Haryana.

Mr. B.S. Rathee, Advocate
for the complainant.

1. Whether Reporters of local papers may be allowed to see the judgment?
2. To be referred to the Reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

This is a petition for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.783 dated 10.11.2014 registered under Sections 304-B, 120-B IPC at Police Station Jhajjar.

As per the allegations in the FIR, the complainant's daughter was being harassed by the petitioner, his wife, his son and his two daughters for dowry. On 10.11.2014 the complainant received a telephone call from

his daughter that 4 days earlier she had overheard the petitioner, his wife and their son talking about killing her. Subsequently, the complainant received a telephone call that his daughter had hung herself and it was his apprehension that she had been killed by her in-laws.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that the petitioner had left the village to join his duty prior to 07.11.2014 and the occurrence took place 3-4 days after he left. His wife and son are in custody and in the circumstances he may be released on anticipatory bail.

Learned Additional Advocate General has argued that the petitioner has been specifically named in the FIR with regard to demand of dowry.

Be that as it may, without commenting upon the merits of the case and keeping in view the entire factual matrix, I do not deem it appropriate to deny anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Resultantly, the petition is allowed. In the event of arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the investigating officer on 06.02.2015 and on any other date as and when his presence is required. In case the petitioner does not appear before the investigating officer in the aforesaid manner the present petition would be deemed to have been dismissed.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending criminal miscellaneous application, if any, also stands disposed of.

January 29, 2014
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JUDGE