

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRR No. 1116 of 2014 (O&M)
Date of decision : January 22, 2015

Jeet Singh,

..... Petitioner

v.

State of Haryana,

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. HS Baath, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashish Yadav, Addl. A.G Haryana

1. **Whether Reporters of Local Newspapers 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 revision has been filed against the concurrent conviction and sentence of the petitioner under Sections 406, 498-A, 506 of the IPC. He has been sentenced to undergo simple imprisonment of three years.

Allegations against the petitioner were that the petitioner and his family members maltreated the complainant on account of demand of dowry.

At the very outset, counsel for the petitioner states that he does not press this petition on merits but prays that a lenient view may be taken in respect of the sentence awarded to the petitioner, since he has been suffering the agony of these proceedings for the last almost nine years.

On the other hand, it can also be argued that for this long time, it is the complainant who has faced the agony of watching the appellant avoiding his punishment. However, on a balance the prejudice caused to the appellant slightly outweighs that caused to the complainant. In the circumstances, while dismissing this appeal and maintaining the conviction of the appellant, I deem it appropriate to reduce the sentence of the appellant to two years from three years. Ordered accordingly.

January 22, 2015
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(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE