

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

**CRM No.M-32457 of 2016 (O&M)**

Date of decision: December 15, 2016

Aarti

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH**

Present: Mr. Karan Garg, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. P.S. Grewal, DAG, Punjab.

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**INDERJIT SINGH, J.**

Petitioner-Aarti has filed this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.69 dated 22.05.2016, registered at Police Station Canal Colony, District Bathinda, under Sections 420, 406, 494/34 of Indian Penal Code.

Notice of motion was issued in this case.

Learned State counsel has appeared on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

From the record, I find that as per FIR got registered by Ramesh Rani-complainant, petitioner-Aarti got performed marriage with the son of the complainant without his consent and after 20 days of the marriage, she left the house with two tolas of gold and silver anklets.

Afterwards on inquiry, they came to know that Aarti, her parents and

mediator have cheated many persons on the pretext of marriage.

The petitioner has already joined the investigation in pursuance of the interim order dated 15.09.2016, passed by this Court. She is not required for custodial interrogation. No useful purpose would be served by sending the petitioner to custody.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts of the case in minute details and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I find merit in this petition and the same is allowed. The order dated 15.09.2016, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

December 15, 2016

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**(INDERJIT SINGH)**  
**JUDGE**

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| Whether speaking/reasoned | : | Yes |
| Whether Reportable        | : | No  |