

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

CRM-M-32784-2017

Date of decision: 11.09.2017

Gurmukh Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present: Mr. Rahul Mohan, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Gaganpreet Kaur, AAG, Haryana.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 379 dated 30.04.2017, under Sections 304-B and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Sadar Karnal, District Karnal.

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the FIR. It is also argued that in fact the FIR does not attribute any specific role of harassment of the deceased at the hands of the petitioner and only vague allegations have been made against the petitioner. It is also submitted that the demand of dowry and for demand of motorcycle could be attributed as a demand made by son, husband of the deceased. It is also submitted that the suicide note itself is silent and does not blame the petitioner.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-State argued

that the deceased committed suicide who was three months pregnant and

committed suicide in her matrimonial home and the petitioner being the father-in-law was joint in residence with her. It is also argued that the FSL report is awaited on the suicide note.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties, perused the FIR and suicide note. Admittedly, suicide note does not mention any role that can be attributed to the father-in-law of the deceased.

The petitioner, who is 70 years old, is in custody since 30.04.2017 and the charges have already been framed. The trial is likely to take time to conclude since 15 witnesses have to be examined. Therefore, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is accepted and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

11.09.2017

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**(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes.
No.