

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

CRM-M-5209-2017 (O&M)
Date of decision : 12.12.2017

Satwinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Ravi Malhotra, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Anju Arora, Addl.A.G., Punjab,
assisted by HC Dharampal.

JITENDRA CHAUHAN, J. (Oral)

The petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in FIR No.63 dated 03.12.2016, registered under Sections 406 and 498-A of the Indian Penal Code, at Police Station Women Cell, SAS Nagar, Mohali.

Heard.

On 17.02.2017, the following order was passed:-

“Counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that as per allegation raised in the FIR, the petitioner is not bringing the complainant to the matrimonial home but the things are actually otherwise. It is further submitted that the petitioner is ready to rehabilitate the complainant in the matrimonial home and for that purpose, the parties are required to be referred for mediation. It is further submitted that Hardeep Singh brother of the complainant prepared a receipt with regard to having taken possession of ornaments.

Notice of motion for 28.4.2017.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner shall join the

investigation within a period of 10 days. In case, he joins the investigation within the stipulated period, he shall be released on interim bail by the investigating officer subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) He shall join the investigation as and when required by the Investigating Officer.
- (ii) He shall not offer any threat, promise or inducement to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing the same to the Investigating Officer/Court; and
- (ii) He shall not leave the limits of this country without prior permission of the Court.”

Learned State counsel, on instructions, submits that in pursuance of the order passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation, recovery of dowry articles stands effected though some of the articles were recovered in a damaged condition and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the above, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 17.02.2017, is made absolute, subject to furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petition stands allowed.

12.12.2017
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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking / reasoned : Yes No

Whether Reportable : Yes No

