

Criminal Misc. No. M- 1456 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of decision : April 18, 2018

Manpreet Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

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

Ms. Seena Mand, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Mohd. Salim, Advocate
for respondent No. 2.

LISA GILL, J.

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 157 dated 31.12.2016 under Sections 406/498A IPC registered at Police Station Women, District Ludhiana.

It is informed that the matter has been amicably resolved between the parties during the pendency of this petition. Petition under Section 13B of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 has been filed by the petitioner and respondent No. 2. Their statements at first motion have been recorded. A sum of ₹5 lakhs has since been handed over to respondent No. 2. The petitioner, needless to say, shall remain bound by the terms and conditions of the settlement and shall be bound to hand over the rest of ₹5 lakhs (total ₹10 lakhs) in terms of the settlement. The terms and conditions of compromise dated 23.01.2018 are attached with this file.

Learned counsel for respondent No. 2 submits that his client has no objection, in case, this petition is allowed subject to the petitioner strictly adhering to the terms and conditions of the settlement.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Mohan Singh, verifies that the petitioner has joined investigation.

There are no allegations on behalf of the State that the petitioner is likely to abscond or that he is likely to dissuade the witnesses from deposing true facts in the Court, if released on bail.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances noted above but without expressing any opinion on the merits of case, it is considered just and expedient to allow this petition. Consequently, order dated 09.02.2017 is made absolute.

However, liberty is afforded to respondent No.2 to move an appropriate application in this matter, in case the terms and conditions of settlement between the parties are not adhered to by the petitioner.

April 18, 2018
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(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No