

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

Crl. Misc. M-47030 of 2017 (O&M)  
Date of Decision: July 20, 2018

Pardeep Kumar alias Deepu

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR**

Present:- Mr. S.P.S. Sidhu, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Ms. Rajni Bala, Senior DAG Punjab.

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**JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)**

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.83 dated 18.06.2017, under Sections 304-B, 498-A, 34 of Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Kot-Ise-Khan, District Moga.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herein was taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR on 19.06.2017. It is argued that the allegations as set out in the FIR are that there was a demand for a bigger refrigerator from the mother-in-law and that the petitioner herein, who is the husband, has demand a bigger car. It is argued that the marriage between the petitioner and the daughter of the complainant was solemnized on 28.11.2010. It is stated that before the incident in question, there was no such incident or any report or any harassment or the matter

referred to the Panchayat, on account of demand of dowry. It is also contended that after charges have been framed, an application under Section 319 Cr.P.C. has been preferred seeking to summon other members of the family as additional accused. It is also argued that the conclusion of trial will take sufficient time, while also submitting that two other co-accused have already been granted regular bail.

Per contra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, opposes the grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since, the trial is likely to take some time and in view of the facts that the petitioner herein has been in custody since 19.06.2017 and that the co-accused have already been granted regular bail, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars. At this stage, without commenting on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

**July 20, 2018**  
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**(JAISHREE THAKUR)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned  
Whether reportable

Yes/No  
Yes/No