

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

Crl. Misc. No.M-47965 of 2017

Date of decision : 01.02.2018

Joginder Singh

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANITA CHAUDHRY

Present: Mr. Anter Preet Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. K.S. Aulakh, DAG, Punjab.

ANITA CHAUDHRY, J.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 25 dated 18.02.2017, registered under Sections 304-B, 306 IPC, Police Station Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is the father-in-law who is in custody since 20.02.2017. He urges that the deceased had committed suicide out of shame and a complaint was given in the police station. The counsel refers to Annexure P-3. Counsel further says that the children are staying with the wife of the petitioner and the husband was abroad but he was in India when the incident occurred and the petitioner's son is also in custody. He further states that challan has been presented and the trial would take time.

State counsel was asked to verify whether any complaint (Annexure P-3) has been given. State counsel after verification states that a complaint had been given but there is no medical to support the complaint.

The petitioner had given a complaint to the police in January 2017 that his daughter-in-law Harpreet Kaur had administered sleeping pills and had called someone at night and when they woke up that person had escaped and she was threatening to commit suicide and they wanted to inform the police. It is a month later that the deceased committed suicide by hanging herself.

The petitioner is in custody for almost a year. The trial will take time to conclude. Without commenting upon the merits of the case, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

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(ANITA CHAUDHRY)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No