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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **BAIL APPLN. 597/2017**

ANKIT GUPTA

..... Petitioner

Represented by: Mr. Anunaya Mehta and Mr.
Akshay Deep Singhal,
Advocates with petitioner in
person.

versus

STATE

..... Respondent

Represented by: Mr. Ashok K. Garg, APP for
State with SI Sunil Kumar,
DIU/North.
Mr. V.K. Jain, Advocate for the
complainant with complainant
in person.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MUKTA GUPTA

ORDER

03.04.2018

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1. By this petition the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 175/2016 under Sections 354/354B/498A/506/34 IPC registered at PS Civil Lines, Delhi.

2. Allegations of the complainant in the FIR in question are that she was married to the petitioner on 5th June, 2015 when the mother of the petitioner made a demand of ₹2 crores. It is alleged that the mother of the petitioner used to shout that the family of the complainant has spent less money on marriage. After the marriage, complainant got to know that her husband, that is, the petitioner herein drank alcohol and ate non-veg. When the

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complainant used to ask him not to drink alcohol, petitioner used to beat her which was supported by the mother-in-law. Since there was no physical relationship between the parties, the complainant wanted the medical check up of her husband however, the husband refused to take the injections and get himself medically examined. It is the case of the complainant that the petitioner never gave her expenses and all her expenses were borne by her from her parents. It is further alleged that the parents-in-law threw the couple out and thus they were forced to shift to a rented accommodation in Gurugram where the petitioner did not come for two-three days. He had also installed cameras and video recorders in the house without the knowledge of the complainant. When the complainant used to come to Civil Lines house of the in-laws she used to be pushed out of the house. Constant threats of throwing out of the house and divorce were extended to the complainant. On 14th July, 2016 at about 8.30 PM when she was going to the kitchen for making tea, it is alleged that her father-in-law pulled her in the room and wanted to make relationship. Thus she ran out of the house and made a call to 100 number. She alleged that her brother-in-law threatened her.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegations of the complainant are false in nature as is evident from the video recording by CCTV cameras installed in the house which fact is refuted by learned counsel for the complainant.

4. Parties have been repeatedly sent for mediation however, at the moment there appears no chance of any reconciliation. Petitioner has already joined the investigation. Learned counsel for the petitioner on instructions

from the petitioner states that to show his bona fides and without prejudice to the rights and contentions of the parties, the petitioner is willing to deposit a sum of ₹10 lakhs with the Registrar General of this Court.

5. Having gone through the allegations and counter allegations and on hearing learned counsels for the petitioner and the complainant and the learned APP for State, this Court deems it fit to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner. It is, therefore, directed that in the event of arrest, the petitioner be released on bail on his furnishing a personal bond in the sum of ₹20,000/- with one surety of the like amount, subject to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/SHO concerned, further subject to the condition that the petitioner will join the investigation as and when directed by the Investigating officer and will not leave the country without prior permission of the concerned Court and in case of change of residential address the same will be intimated to the Court concerned by way of an affidavit.

6. As undertaken the petitioner will deposit a sum of ₹10 lakhs with the Registrar General of this Court within two weeks, which will be kept in a fixed deposit by the Registrar General without prejudice to the rights and contentions of the parties, subject to the final outcome of the trial or any settlement if arrived at between the parties.

7. Petition is disposed of.

8. Order dasti.

MUKTA GUPTA, J.

APRIL 03, 2018

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