

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

CRM-M-15448 of 2019.

Decided on:- April 04, 2019.

Puneet Kaur.

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA.

Present:- Mr. Deepak Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARI PAL VERMA, J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for issuance of a direction to learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Samrala to adjudicate the case pertaining to FIR No.111 dated 29.06.2013 under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC registered at Police Station Samrala, District Ludhiana expeditiously.

The petitioner is unmarried sister-in-law of respondent No.2, at whose behest the aforesaid FIR was registered against her.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that despite the fact that the FIR was registered on 29.06.2013 and Challan was presented in the case in the year 2013 itself and thereafter, the charge was framed against the petitioner on 24.03.2014, no prosecution witness has been examined so far, obviously for the reason that respondent No.2-complainant is not residing in India and is living abroad i.e. Italy. The petitioner is suffering adversely and

is required to attend the Court on each and every date of hearing and respondent No.2 is enjoying this situation. Therefore, the limited prayer is for issuance of a direction to the trial Court to expedite the trial in the case.

Notice of motion to respondent No.1 only at this stage.

On asking of this Court, Mr. Jagmohan Ghuman, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.1-State.

Let requisite number of copies of paper book be given to learned State counsel during the course of the day.

Heard.

Lest it may prejudice the interest of the parties, but without observing anything on the merits of the case and considering the fact that the petitioner is facing trial since the year 2013, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the trial Court to expedite the trial and to conclude the same preferably within a period of one year from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

April 04, 2019
Yag Dutt

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes

Whether Reportable: No