

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

214

CRM-M-50631-2018

Date of Decision:01.05.2019

Mohit Sethi

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

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

**Present: Ms. Sarika Gupta, Advocate,
for the petitioner.**

Mr. Rana Harjasdeep Singh, D.A.G., Punjab.

**Mr. Deepak Arora, Advocate,
for the complainant.**

HARI PAL VERMA, J.(Oral)

Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.363 dated 03.10.2018 under Sections 406, 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station Zirakpur, District Mohali.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that pursuant to the order dated 20.11.2018 passed by this Court, petitioner has joined the investigation.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from HC Rameshwar Dass, does not dispute the aforesaid fact and states that the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is no more required at this stage as all the recoveries have been effected in the case.

However, learned counsel for the complainant has argued that apart from the fact that the complainant was given beating by the petitioner, all dowry articles have not been recovered and the articles so received are in damaged condition.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

The argument of learned counsel for the complainant that the dowry articles so received are in damaged condition merely on this ground, this Court cannot decline anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Since the petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is no more required, present petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner vide order dated 20.11.2018 is made absolute.

However, if required, the petitioner shall continue to join investigation as and when required to do so and shall abide by the terms and conditions, as laid down under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

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(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No