

**In the High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

CRM-M-53872-2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision:-30.10.2019

Nikhil Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Rajvinder Singh Bains, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab,
assisted by ASI Vipan Kumar.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

1. The petitioner has approached this Court seeking grant of anticipatory bail in respect of a case registered vide FIR No.64 dated 27.8.2018 at Police Station Women Cell, Ludhiana under Sections 406 and 498-A of Indian Penal Code.
2. The FIR was lodged at the instance of Ms. Bhawna, wherein it has been alleged that her marriage was solemnized with the petitioner on 13.7.2016 and that although a large number of articles had been given in dowry but her husband and other members of his family were not satisfied with the same and used to harass her in order to press upon their demands of more dowry.
3. The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the FIR came to be lodged due to some misunderstanding, which has now been resolved and that

the parties have already filed a petition for getting their marriage dissolved under provisions of Section 13-B of Hindu Marriage Act.

4. Although the learned State counsel has feigned ignorance about any compromise amongst the parties, but it has been informed that the petitioner has since joined investigation.
5. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case and that the petitioner has already joined investigation, custodial interrogation is not warranted. The petition, as such, is accepted and the interim directions issued by this Court vide order dated 6.12.2018 are hereby made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

30.10.2019

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**(Gurvinder Singh Gill)
Judge**

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No