

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

CRM-M-34840-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision:- 4.12.2019

Lovenish

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Mandeep Singh Khillan, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Aditi Girdhar, AAG, Haryana,
assisted by SI Gurdayal Singh.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

1. Petitioner-Lovenish, seeks grant of anticipatory bail in a case registered vide FIR No.608, dated 8.6.2019, registered at Police Station Sadar Karnal, District Karnal, under Sections 323, 34, 406, 498-A, 506 IPC.
2. The FIR was lodged at the instance of the petitioner's wife namely Kavita wherein it has been alleged that her marriage was solemnized with the petitioner on 17.2.2016 and although a large number of articles had been given in dowry to the petitioner and to other

members of his family and her family had spent an amount of ₹20 lakhs on the marriage but the petitioner and other members of his family were not happy with the same and shortly after marriage they started maltreating the complainant in order to press upon their demands of more dowry. It is further stated therein that the accused even misappropriated all articles of her *istridhan* and ultimately she was thrown out of her matrimonial home on 14.10.2017. It is also alleged that the petitioner had even raised demand of car and even levelled allegations of illicit relations against the complainant.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the FIR is an outcome of matrimonial incompatibility and that false allegations have been levelled against the petitioner in the FIR simply in order to pressurize the petitioner and other members of his family.
4. Opposing the petition, learned State counsel has submitted that since the petitioner is husband of the complainant and specific and categoric allegations of harassment have been levelled against him in the FIR, no case for grant of bail is made out. It has however been informed that the petitioner has since joined investigation and that challan already stands presented.
5. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is of the opinion that facts of the case do not warrant any custodial interrogation of the petitioner particularly when challan already stands presented. The petition, as such, is accepted and interim directions issued vide order dated 27.8.2019 are made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner shall appear before the

Trial Court regularly and to abide by any such condition as imposed by the Trial Court for ensuring his appearance regularly in the Trial Court.

December 4, 2019

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**(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No