

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

CRM M-36278 of 2019 (O&M)

Date of Decision: October 30, 2019

Chander Pal		Petitioner
	Versus	
State of Haryana		 Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present : Mr. Nihul Pratap Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Baljinder Virk, DAG, Haryana.

Mr. Dharam Pal, Advocate for
Mr. Vivek Khatri, Advocate
for the complainant.

FATEH DEEP SINGH, J. (Oral)

The allegations against petitioner Chander Pal in this first anticipatory bail application filed before this Court in case FIR No.550 dated 23.09.2017 under Sections 304-B, 498-A and 34 IPC have been levelled by Devender Singh, father of deceased Pooja by alleging that the deceased was married to

Ramesh co-accused/non-applicant about 4½ years prior to this occurrence. The in-laws of the deceased were not happy with the dowry articles and used to harass and beat her and on account of this unlawful demand of dowry, it is alleged that the in-laws were pressurizing the deceased to encash the F.D. and due to this physical and mental pressure alongwith demand of Alto car, the deceased died on 23.09.2017 by hanging and named the husband, mother-in-law and the father-in-law as culprits.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, *inter alia*, contends that there is no attribution levelled against the petitioner in the commission of the offence and being a senior citizen of 80 years of age was found innocent during the investigation and has been, subsequently, summoned with the aid of Section 319 Cr.P.C. and nothing is to be recovered from him.

Mr. Baljinder Virk, DAG, Haryana assisted by ASI Narender Singh and Mr. Dharam Pal, learned counsel for the complainant though does not dispute the facts that have been brought to the notice of this Court but opposed the grant of bail on the ground of seriousness of allegations.

Going through the submissions, the petitioner has been found innocent during the investigation and placed in the column No. 2 being a senior citizen and on account of lack of

any specific allegation and considering the fact that no useful purpose will be served by sending the petitioner behind the bars, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is directed to appear before the trial Court within 15 days and upon his doing so, he shall be released on bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

Disposed of.

October 30, 2019

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**(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No