

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

CRM-M-12162-2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision:- 14.7.2020

Deepak Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Harbir Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

*(the aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing
since the proceedings are being conducted in Virtual Court)*

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner seeks grant of anticipatory bail in a case registered vide FIR No.9, dated 1.3.2020, Police Station Women Cell, Amritsar, under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC.
2. The FIR in question as lodged at the instance of Priyanka wherein it has been alleged that her marriage was solemnized with petitioner Deepak Kumar on 6.12.2015 and that a large number of household articles were given at the time of marriage. However, the petitioner started demanding another amount of ₹2 lakhs and upon inability of the complainant and her family to accede to the said demand, she used to be turned out from the matrimonial home on several occasions. It is further alleged that petitioner-Deepak Kumar and his

mother Kamla Rani used to give beatings to her and harass her in order to press upon their demand of ₹2 lakhs.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that it is a case of matrimonial discord wherein false allegations have been levelled in the FIR.
4. Opposing the petition, learned State counsel has submitted that since the petitioner is specifically named in the FIR and specific allegations have been levelled, no case for grant of anticipatory bail is made out. It has however been informed that the petitioner has since joined investigation.
5. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case and the nature of allegations and the fact that the petitioner has already joined investigation, this Court does not find the present case to be a case warranting custodial interrogation. The petition, as such is hereby accepted and interim directions issued vide order dated 12.5.2020 are made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner shall appear and join investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Investigating Officer and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

July 14, 2020

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(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No