

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

**CRM-M-16523-2020
Date of decision: 01.09.2020**

Balwant Singh and another

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. Gurinder Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Tanvir S. Grewal, Advocate
for the complainant.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in FIR No.174 dated 09.05.2020, registered under Sections 498-A IPC (Section 406 IPC added later) at Police Station City Sangrur, District Sangrur.

The operative part of the order dated 25.06.2020, vide which the petitioners have been granted interim bail, is reproduced below:

“Counsel for the petitioners has argued that the petitioners are the parents-in-law of the complainant – Varinder Kaur and their son Jaspal Singh is presently residing in Australia. It is further submitted that the main allegations are against the husband and to show their bona fide, the petitioners are ready to deposit an amount of Rs.5 lacs with the trial Court/Illaqa Magistrate, to be kept in FDRs. Counsel for the petitioners also undertake that both the petitioners will surrender their passports with the Investigating Officer and will not travel abroad without seeking the prior permission from the trial Court/Illaqa Magistrate.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab, who is appearing through video conferencing, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent while Mr. T.S. Grewal, Advocate has appeared on behalf of the complainant.

List again on 01.09.2020.

In the meantime, the petitioners are directed to appear before the Investigating Officer within a period of 10 days to join investigation and they shall be released on interim bail on furnishing bail/surety bonds subject to the following conditions:-

1. They shall make themselves available for interrogation by a police officer as and when required;
2. They shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer; and
3. They shall not leave India without previous permission of the Court.

Both the petitioners are also directed to surrender their passports with the Investigating Officer and they shall not travel abroad without seeking the prior permission from the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate.

The petitioners are further directed to deposit an amount of Rs.5 lacs with the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate within a period of 01 month from today. The amount so deposited by the petitioners shall be kept in an FDR subject to final outcome of the case.”

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners, in pursuance to the order dated 25.06.2020, have joined investigation and they have also deposited an amount Rs. 5 Lacs with the trial Court, in terms of order dated 25.06.2020.

Learned counsel for the State, on telephonic instructions from the Investigating Officer, assisted by learned counsel for the complainant, has not disputed the factual position and submits that the petitioners have joined the investigation and are no more required for any further investigation.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and the interim

bail granted to the petitioners, vide order dated 25.06.2020, is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

01.09.2020

Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No