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

CRM-M-18807-2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 26.08.2020

Sarban Ram

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Vinod S. Bhardwaj, Advocate,
for the applicant-petitioner.

Mr. J.P. Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

CRM-20257-2020

The prayer for placing on record amended Memorandum of Parties is allowed.

Amended Memorandum of Parties is taken on record.

Application stands disposed off.

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This is a petition for anticipatory bail filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. on behalf of the petitioner in case FIR No.0036 dated 10.05.2020, under Sections 304-B and 120-B of the IPC, registered at Police Station Balachaur, District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar.

[2]. Ld. State counsel has sent up copy/extracts of the Post-Mortem Report of the deceased in compliance of the previous order, from which, it transpires that according to the Board of Doctors, “the cause of death in this case is *asphyxia* which is due to antemortem hanging”.

[3]. Clearly, therefore, death of the victim occurred unnaturally in her matrimonial home within a period of less than 1 year and 4 months from the date of her marriage with the son of the present petitioner. There are direct allegations against the in-laws of the deceased victim including the present petitioner of having subjected the deceased to harassment in pursuance of their demand of dowry.

[4]. In such circumstances, this is not a fit case for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

[5]. Dismissed.

26.08.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

2. Whether reportable: Yes/No