

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

Crl. Misc. M- 31328-2019 (O&M)

Date of Decision: January 20, 2020

Ravinder Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Vivek Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Davinder Bir Singh, D.A.G., Punjab

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C., for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 77 dated 13.03.2019 under Sections 498-A/406 Indian Penal Code registered at Police Station, Model Town, Hoshiarpur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is falsely implicated in the present case and on the directions dated 24.07.2019 of this Court, has joined the investigation. It is also contended that the petitioner has handed over all dowry articles on 04.09.2019 and nothing is to be recovered from him.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from the Investigating Officer-ASI Ravinder Singh, submits that petitioner has joined the investigation while further submitting that most of the dowry articles have

been recovered, however, few recoveries like a nose-pin, silver anklets and earrings are yet to be made from the petitioner.

In view of the facts that the petitioner is not required for custodial interrogation and has joined the investigation and since most of the dowry articles have been recovered barring a few, let the petitioner herein to deposit an amount of ₹15000/- with the trial Court, who in turn would keep it in a fixed deposit, which is in lieu of the articles allegedly misappropriated. It is also made clear that in case respondent no. 2-complainant is successful in establishing her claim in the proceedings initiated under the FIR, the amount would be disbursed to her, otherwise the petitioner would be entitled for the refund of the same alongwith interest accrued thereon. In view of this, without commenting on the merits of the case, the petition is allowed and order dated 24.07.2019 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438 Sub Section 2 Clauses (i)(ii) and (iii) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
Yes/No