

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

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CRM-M-2106-2021

Date of decision : 22.03.2021.

GURDEEP SINGH

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Surjit Singh Swaich, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. S.S. Dinarpur, Advocate for the complainant.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 122 dated 26.12.2020, under Section 306 read with Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Bhagwantpur, District Rupnagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is the father-in-law of the deceased. The marriage had taken place on 27.01.2013 and, therefore, the incident took place after seven years of the marriage. It is alleged in the FIR that the deceased was being harassed by her in-laws and she consumed poison due to harassment by her husband. He also contends that there is a delay of 24 hours in registering the FIR and there is no suicide note. The petitioner is 64 year of age and is a retired CTU Driver.

Learned counsel for the complainant contends that in view of the serious allegations against the petitioner, he is not entitled to the concession of anticipatory bail.

This Court, by order dated 11.02.2021 had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Samarjit Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the Covid-19 Pandemic, the order dated 11.02.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

March 22, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No