

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

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**CRM-M-18324-2019
Decided on : 30.09.2021**

Pankaj Yadav

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

(Through Video Conferencing)

PRESENT: Mr. Ish Puneet Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG, Punjab
assisted by SI Tamana.

Mr. G.S. Madaan, Advocate
for the complainant.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C., for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No. 29, dated 28.01.2019, under Section 304-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Salem Tabri, Ludhiana (Annexure P-1).

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that pursuant to order dated 05th July, 2019, passed by a coordinate Bench of this Court, the petitioner has joined investigation.

The case of the petitioner is that he along with his family had been living at Kolkata. His deceased wife had left her matrimonial home on her own in August, 2018 along with her brother, as it was to be her first visit to her parental home after marriage and the allegations of dowry demands etc. were false and baseless. He submitted that a perusal of the call records details demolished the allegations levelled that when the deceased

committed suicide in her parental home at Ludhiana at 5:00 P.M. on 27.01.2019, she was on live video call with the petitioner, as the last call between the petitioner and deceased was between 3:00-4:00 P.M.

Learned State counsel on instructions from SI Tamana, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and has apprised the Court that his custodial interrogation is not required.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the complainant has opposed the prayer by urging that the deceased died within 07 years of her marriage on account of harassment meted out to her by the petitioner.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the material on record.

The present petition is allowed and interim order dated 05th July, 2019, passed by the coordinate Bench of this Court, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

September 30, 2021

J.Ram

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes/No*