

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

CRM-M-52722-2019

Date of Decision: 25.08.2021

PANKAJ KAUSHAL

.....*Petitioner*

V/s.

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER

.....*Respondents*

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL.

(Through Video Conferencing)

Present: Mr. Bhisham Kumar, Advocate,
 for Mr. Sandeep Kumar Rana, Advocate,
 for the petitioner.

Ms. Gaganpreet Kaur, AAG, Haryana.

Mr. Rohit Kaushik, Advocate,
for respondent No.2.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in a case FIR No.217, dated 20.10.2019, lodged under Sections 498-A, 406, 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 registered at Police Station Women Cell, NIT, Faridabad, District Faridabad, Haryana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that pursuant to order dated 11.12.2019, passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation. This fact is not disputed by the counsel for the State as well.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the parties were married in the year 1998 and it was due to a matrimonial dispute between the parties, the FIR in question was lodged wherein false and fabricated allegations were levelled against the petitioner and his family members.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Pavitra, states that the petitioner is no longer required for further interrogation.

Learned counsel for the complainant too does not dispute the factum of all the dowry articles having been returned to the complainant.

In view of the aforesaid, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 11.12.2019 is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.

August 25, 2021

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**[MANJARI NEHRU KAUL]
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking / reasoned</i>	:	<i>Yes /No.</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>