

CRM-M-1473-2022

Date of Decision: 18.8.2022

Jagjeet Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Kulwinder Singh, Advocate for
Mr. Amit Puri, Advocate, for the petitioner.
Mr. Amitoj Singh Dhaliwal, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.
Mr. A.P.S.Choudhary, Advocate, for the complainant.

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in a case FIR No.108, dated 10.11.2021, registered under Sections 406, 498-A IPC, at Police Station Women Cell, Ludhiana.

The case came up for hearing on 14.1.2022 and learned counsel for the petitioner submitted before this Court that *de hors* the merits of the case, the petitioner is keen to settle the dispute amicably. He also submitted that he has filed a petition under Section 9 of the Hindu Marriage Act to show his bonafide that he is serious to rehabilitate with the respondent-wife and the Court granted him interim bail and directed the parties to appear before the Mediation Centre. On 20.4.2022, the case came up for hearing and again the parties were directed to appear before the Mediation Centre.

However, learned counsel for the complainant has submitted that the interim bail was granted on the assurance given by the petitioner to this Court that he is ready to settle the dispute amicably, However, the complainant appeared before the Mediation Centre, but the petitioner did not appear there.

The report of the Mediation has also been received showing that on 10.8.2022, the petitioner was not present and hence, the mediation could not take place. As the petitioner before this Court is husband of respondent No.2, the Court had shown the indulgence on the plea taken by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is ready to abide by the undertaking given before this Court, however, the petitioner did not even prefer to appear before the Mediation Centre after seeking interim bail. The Court is convinced that the petitioner do not deserve the concession of anticipatory bail in view of the attending facts and circumstances of the case. Resultantly, the petition is dismissed.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No