

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

CRM-M-11094-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision : 27.07.2022

Sidhant Sehgal

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Rohit Sud, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Sakshi Bakshi, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. R.S. Bajaj, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.21 dated 07.02.2020, under Sections 498-A, 323 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Women Cell, Jalandhar.

Vide order dated 24.02.2022 while granting interim protection, the petitioner was directed to join investigation.

Status report filed by learned State counsel is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that pursuant to order dated 24.02.2022, petitioner has joined the investigation and as such his interim bail may be made absolute. He further submits the matter was referred to the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court. The parties appeared, however, the matter could not be resolved amicably.

Learned counsel for the complainant has opposed the prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Varinder Singh, has affirmed the fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation.

The report of the Mediator has also been received which shows that the parties could not reach at an amicable settlement.

After hearing counsel for the parties and perusing the record, the Court is of the opinion that the matter needs to be investigated and thereafter tried by the trial Court in accordance with the law. Accordingly, interim order dated 24.02.2022 is made absolute subject to compliance of conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Petition stands allowed. CRM No.22416 of 2021 is dismissed.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

27.07.2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No