

213/1 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-15208-2022
Date of Decision: 24.08.2022

JASWINDER SINGH AND ANOTHER ... PETITIONERS
V/S
STATE OF PUNJAB ... RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI

Present: Mr. L.S.Virk, Advocate for the petitioners.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, DAG Punjab.

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VIVEK PURI, J. (ORAL)

On 08.04.2022, following order was passed:

“The petitioners are seeking anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.23 dated 25.02.2022 under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC registered at Police Station Nurmahal, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contend that the marriage of Maninder Kaur-complainant was solemnized with Amarjit Singh, the son of the petitioners. Sharda Devi, the younger sister of the complainant was married with Inderjit Singh, another son of the petitioners. The petitioners were granted interim bail by the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge and the recoveries were also effected. Even at the earlier instance, the complainant and her sister had submitted a complaint on two occasions with the police, but compromise was effected therein. In the compromise dated 12.07.2020, it has been observed that there were minor domestic issues.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Hittan Nehra, Additional Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Adjourned to 24.08.2022.

In the meanwhile, the petitioners are directed to join investigation and in the event of their arrest, they shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 438 (2) of Code of Criminal Procedure.”

In the connected cases bearing CRM-M-21077-2022 and CRM-M-25510-2022, the matter was referred to the Mediation and Conciliation Centre, but the mediation remained unsuccessful.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contend that the petitioners have joined the investigation in pursuance of the interim directions issued by the Court.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Avtar Lal, has stated that the petitioners have joined the investigation and their custodial interrogation is not required.

In these set of circumstances, sufficient exceptional circumstances are made out to extend the concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioners. The order dated 08.04.2022 is made absolute.

The petition stands allowed.

24.08.2022

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(VIVEK PURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No