

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

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CRM-M-20217-2021

Date of Decision:27.10.2022

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...PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present: Mr. J.S. Lalli, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Mohit Chaudhary, AAG, Punjab.

None for the complainant.

SUVIR SEHGAL, J.(ORAL)

Mr. Sandeep S. Majithia, Advocate for the complainant submits that the brief has been taken away from him.

Vide the instant petition filed under Section 438 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No.15 dated 02.07.2020, registered under Sections 406 and 498-A of IPC, 1860, however, Sections 313, 467, 468, 471, 420 and 120-B of IPC were added later on, at Police Station NRI, Ludhiana, Annexure P-1.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that FIR, Annexure P-1, is an outcome of a matrimonial dispute and the petitioner is a relative of the estranged husband of the complainant. Counsel submits that pursuant to order dated 20.05.2021 passed by this Court, petitioner has joined the investigation. This fact has been confirmed by the State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Amrik Singh. Though, he submits that some recovery is yet to be effected from the petitioner.

At this stage, counsel for the petitioner submits that on an offer made on behalf of co-accused, Veena Rani, mother-in-law of the complainant, this Court by an order passed on even date has directed her to deposit an amount of Rs.2 lacs with the Area Magistrate in lieu of the dowry articles alleged to be in the possession of the accused.

In view of the above, present petition is allowed and order dated 20.05.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438 (2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

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JUDGE

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