

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

CRM-M-18962-2022

Date of decision : 02.08.2022

Balwinder Singh

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. P.S. Ahluwalia, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Sakshi Bakshi, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Sukhbir Maandi, Advocate
for the complainant.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.61 dated 02.04.2022, under Sections 406, 494, 498-A of the Indian Penal Code at Police Station Civil Lines, Patiala, District Patiala.

Vide order dated 06.05.2022, the petitioner was directed to join investigation.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that pursuant to order dated 06.05.2022, petitioner has joined the investigation and as such his interim bail may be made absolute. He further submits that the parties were directed to appear before the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court, however, the matter could not be resolved.

Report of the Mediator has also been received showing that despite best efforts, parties could not resolve the dispute through the process of mediation.

Complainant is also present in person along with her counsel and submits that recovery in the case still remains to be effected.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Karamjeet Singh, affirmed the fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation. However, recovery of some dowry articles still remains to be effected.

After hearing counsel for the parties and perusing the record, the Court is satisfied that the matter needs to be thoroughly investigated and thereafter tried by the trial Court. Simply because some dowry articles remains to be effected cannot be a ground for rejection of the bail at this stage.

Accordingly, interim order dated 06.05.2022 is made absolute subject to compliance of conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C

Petition stands allowed.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

02.08.2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No