

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

**CRM-M-19189-2022**

**Date of decision : 12.09.2022**

**Sajan Singh**

**..... Petitioner**

**versus**

**State of Punjab and another**

**.....Respondents**

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

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Present :- Mr. A.P. Kaushal, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Sartaj Singh Thakur, Advocate  
for respondent No.2.

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**RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)**

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.60 dated 25.04.2022, under Sections 498-A, 406 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Dasuya, District Hoshiarpur.

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

Vide order dated 07.05.2022 while granting interim protection, the petitioner was directed to join investigation.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that pursuant to order dated 07.05.2022, petitioner has joined the investigation and as such his interim bail may be made absolute.

Learned counsel for respondent No.2 has submitted that the parties have appeared before the Mediation Centre, however the same remained unsuccessful. He has further submitted that the litigation

expenses of Rs.25,000/- are paid by the petitioner.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Jasvir Singh, has submitted that in pursuance to order dated 07.05.2022, the petitioner has joined investigation. However, recovery of some dowry articles remains to be effected and the matter is still under investigation.

After hearing counsel for the parties and perusing the mediation report and status report filed, it is apparent that the petitioner has joined investigation, however, the mediation remained unsuccessful. Learned State counsel has apprised the Court that the petitioner has joined investigation. However, simply because recovery of some dowry articles remains to be effected cannot be a ground for rejection of the bail at this stage. The matter needs to be thoroughly investigated and thereafter tried by the trial Court.

In view of the above, interim order dated 07.05.2022 is made absolute subject to compliance of conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Petition stands allowed.

12.09.2022  
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( RAJESH BHARDWAJ )  
JUDGE

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| Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| Whether Reportable        | Yes/No |