

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

(Sr. No. 206)

CRM-M No.21683 of 2022

Date of decision : 05.09.2022

Manjeet Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present : Mr. Kanwaljeet Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Navneet Singh, Senior DAG, Punjab.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for the grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.08 dated 25.02.2022, registered under Sections 498A & 406 IPC at Women Police Station Malerkotla, district Malerkotla.

On 23.05.2022, this Court had passed the following order : -

“Learned counsel for the petitioner inter-alia contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case on account of a matrimonial discord between the petitioner and the complainant; there is no other criminal case pending against the petitioner; the allegation of beatings is absolutely false with no medical record; the allegations with regard to the petitioner having illicit relations with Madhvi and Gagan are also incorrect as both these ladies are his colleagues in office; in fact, Whatsapp chats (Annexure P-2) show that it is the complainant who is having an affair; the petitioner is ready and willing to amicably resolve the matrimonial

dispute and that the petitioner is also ready and willing to join and cooperate with the investigation. Notice of motion.

Ms. Gunkirat Kaur, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

For arguments, adjourned to 05.09.2022.

In the meanwhile subject to the petitioner's joining investigation as and when called by the investigating agency as also abiding by the other conditions provided under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C, in the event of his arrest in FIR No.08, dated 25.02.2022, registered under Sections 498A & 406 IPC at Women Police Station Malerkotla, District Malerkotla, he shall be released on ad interim anticipatory bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer."

Learned State counsel submits that under the afore-quoted order passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined and cooperated with the investigation and that his custodial interrogation is not required by the State.

After considering the submissions made on behalf of the petitioner in the afore-quoted order and the statement made on behalf of the State, the interim order of this Court dated 23.05.2022, granting ad interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner is ordered to be made absolute.

05.09.2022

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**(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No