

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(211)

CRM-M-22268-2022
Date of Decision: 12.09.2022

Ashok Kumar

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

--Respondent

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

Present:- Mr. Anterpreet Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, D.A.G., Punjab.

Complainant in person with Mr. Yashpal Thakur,
Advocate.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ.J (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in FIR No.77 dated 29.4.2022 registered under Sections 406, 498-A IPC at Police Station, Amloh, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

By virtue of the order dated 23.5.2022 while granting interim protection, the petitioner was directed to join investigation.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in pursuance to the order dated 23.5.2022 petitioner has joined investigation. He submits that petitioner had appeared before the Mediation & Conciliation Centre of this Court and paid litigation expenses of Rs. 25,000/- to the complainant, however, the mediation proceedings remained unsuccessful. He has prayed for making the interim order absolute.

Court has interacted with the complainant, who is present in person with her counsel. Learned counsel for the complainant has opposed the prayer made by counsel for the petitioner but has admitted that the

mediation remained unsuccessful.

Learned State counsel has filed status report and the same is taken on record. He has endorsed the fact that petitioner has joined investigation, however, recovery of dowry articles remains to be effected.

In view of the above, the order dated 23.5.2022 is made absolute subject to compliance of conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C and the petition stands allowed.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

12.09.2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No