

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

CRM-M-33161-2021

Date of decision: 25.02.2022

RIKKI ALIAS PARAS

... PETITIONER

VS.

STATE OF HARYANA

.. RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI

Present : Mr.Yogeshwar Dayal Kaushik, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Vikas Bhardwaj, AAG, Haryana.

VIVEK PURI, J.(ORAL)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing due to COVID-19 pandemic.

On 17.08.2021, following order was passed:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner while inter-alia contending that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case as the main allegations are levelled against one Abhishek for having committed the offence under Section 376 IPC on the pretext of solemnizing marriage with the complainant. It is further argued that the only allegation qua the petitioner herein is of abusing and intimidating the complainant. It is contended that nothing is to be recovered from him and he is ready and willing to join the investigation while submitting that the connected matter of the co-accused is pending adjudication for 10.01.2022. .

Notice of motion.

Ms. Deepshikha Chauhan, AAG, Haryana appearing through the medium of video conferencing accepts notice on behalf of the respondent State.

Adjourned to 10.01.2022.

To be heard along with CRM-M-30232-2021

Meanwhile, petitioner is directed to join the investigation within a period of one week and in the event of arrest, the petitioner be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions incorporated under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C ”

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends the petitioner is sister-in-law of Abhishek (co-accused) and in pursuance of interim directions, she has joined the investigation.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Manika, has stated that the petitioner has joined the investigation and her custodial interrogation is not required.

Keeping in view the fact that the petitioner is sister-in-law of Abhishek (co-accused), she has joined the investigation in pursuance of interim directions issued by this Court and her custodial interrogation is not required, sufficient grounds are made out to extend the concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, order dated 17.08.2021, vide which the petitioner has been granted interim bail, is made absolute.

Petition is allowed.

25.02.2022

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(VIVEK PURI)**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No