

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

206-2

CRM-M-33892-2020 (O & M)

Date of Decision:04.08.2022

ASHISH KAUSHIK

...PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present: Mr. Aman Pal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Deepshikha Chauhan, AAG, Haryana.

Mr. Akshay Bhan, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Namit Gautam, Advocate and
Mr. H.P.S. Sandhu, Advocate for respondent No.2.

SUVIR SEHGAL, J.(ORAL)

Vide the instant petition filed under Section 438 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No.158 dated 21.09.2020, Annexure P-1, registered under Sections 406, 498-A, 323, 506 of IPC, 1860, however, Section 324 of IPC was added later on, at Police Station Krishna Gate Thanesar, Kurukshetra.

FIR is an outcome of a matrimonial dispute.

While issue notice of motion on 21.10.2020, this Court granted interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner and directed him to join investigation.

Upon instructions from SI Satyawar, State counsel submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation, *challan* has been presented and he is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the above, but without commenting upon the allegations levelled in the FIR, present petition is allowed and the order dated 21.10.2020 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

At this stage, a joint request has been made by counsel representing the petitioner as well as complainant/respondent No.2 for referring the matter to the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court for exploring the possibility of settlement.

Request is accepted. .

Parties are directed to appear before the Centre on 10.08.2022 at 10.00 am.

Report of the Mediation Centre may be sent to this Court in due course.

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JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No