

Aman Puri

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Gurinder Vir Singh, Advocate for
Mr. Anant Kataria, Advocate, for the petitioner.
Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.
Mr. Rakesh Bhatia, Advocate, for the complainant.

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in a case FIR No.96, dated 24.6.2019, registered under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC (Section 494 IPC wrongly mentioned in order dated 24.7.2019 passed by the learned ASJ, Ludhiana), at Police Station Women Cell, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana.

By virtue of the order dated 21.8.2019, while granting interim protection, the petitioner was directed to join the investigation.

It has been contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner has joined the investigation and fully cooperated and thus, the interim order may kindly be made absolute.

Learned counsel for the complainant has opposed the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner and submitted that though the petitioner has joined the investigation, however, recovery of gold articles remains to be effected from the petitioner.

Learned State counsel on instructions from SI Sukhwinder Singh, has submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation. He submits that as

per the instructions received from IO, though allegation regarding gold articles in the FIR is 154 grams, but the receipts given are of less weight. He submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, it is apparent that the petitioner was granted interim bail vide order dated 21.8.2019 and thereafter, the petition remained pending and the petitioner has duly joined the investigation. The allegations and counter allegations pertain to recovery of dowry articles, cannot be a ground for rejection of bail as the parties have to prove their contentions during the trial.

In view of the above, the order dated 21.8.2019 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

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