

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

**CRM-M-34518-2019
Date of Decision: 01.12.2022**

SANTOKH SINGH AND ANOTHER ... PETITIONERS

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB ... RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI

Present: Mr. Vipul Sharma, Advocate for the petitioners.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, DAG Punjab.

Mr. Jaideep Verma, Advocate for the complainant.

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VIVEK PURI, J. (ORAL)

Petitioners are seeking anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No. 97 dated 27.06.2019 under Sections 406, 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station Women Cell, Ludhiana.

On 26.08.2019 following order was passed:

‘Notice of motion for **17.9.2019**.

At this stage, Mr. Jaideep Verma, Advocate has today put in appearance on behalf of the complainant and has filed power of attorney, which is taken on record.

Both the learned counsel have submitted that there could be some chances of an amicable settlement.

Meanwhile, in the event of arrest, the petitioners be released on interim bail subject to their furnishing personal bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioners shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

The parties are directed to be present in person on the

next date of hearing.

The petitioners shall pay an amount of Rs.25,000/- to the complainant, upon her appearance, on the next date of hearing, towards travelling, miscellaneous, litigation expenses.”

As per the report received from Mediation and Conciliation Center of this Court, the matrimonial dispute has been amicably settled.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contend that the petitioners are the father-in-law and mother-in-law of the complainant. The son of the petitioners and the complainant have instituted a petition under Section 13-B of Hindu Marriage Act for dissolution of marriage by mutual consent. Furthermore, a petition for quashing of FIR on the basis of compromise in pursuance of the amicable settlement has also been instituted. The petitioners have joined the investigation in pursuance of the interim directions.

Learned State counsel has submitted that the petitioners have joined the investigation and their custodial interrogation is not required.

Considering above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 26.08.2019 is made absolute.

01.12.2022

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(VIVEK PURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No