

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(210)

CRM-M-47359-2021

Date of Decision: 09.03.2022

Sucha Singh

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & another

--Respondents

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

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

Mr. Rakeshinder Singh Sidhu, A.A.G., Punjab.

Mr. Dharambir Bhargav, Advocate for the complainant.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ.J (Oral)

Matter has been taken up through video conferencing via Webex facility in the light of the Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in FIR No.65 dated 11.8.2021 registered under Sections 406, 498-A IPC at Women Police Station, District Amritsar.

By virtue of the order dated 29.11.2021 while granting interim protection, the petitioner was directed to join investigation.

It has been contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that in pursuance to the order dated 29.11.2021, the petitioner has joined the investigation. He submits that he has brought the demand draft of Rs.25,000/- towards litigation expenses to be paid to the complainant as directed by this Court and he would handover the same to the counsel for complainant during the course of the day. It is further submitted that mediation proceedings between the parties remained unsuccessful and they could not arrive at any amicable solution.

Learned counsel for the complainant has endorsed the submissions made by counsel for petitioner. He submits that he is ready to accept the demand draft towards litigation expenses. Counsel further submits that recovery of some of the dowry articles remains to be effected.

Learned State counsel has endorsed the same and submitted that petitioner is no more required for further investigation. However, she submits that recovery of some dowry articles remains to be effected.

Report of the Mediator has also been placed on record which shows that despite efforts parties could not settle their dispute.

In view of the above, the order dated 29.11.2021 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

09.03.2022

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