

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

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(Through Video Conferencing)

CRM-M-54780-2021

Date of decision: 02.03.2022

Gurmit Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Dr. Anmol Rattan Sidhu, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Kuldeep Singh Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG, Punjab
for the respondent-State.

Mr. Parveen Kumar, Advocate
for the complainant.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.171 dated 27.08.2021 under Sections 304-B and 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Urban Estate, District Patiala.

Learned senior counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that a false and fabricated case has been planted upon the petitioner for allegedly subjecting his deceased daughter-in-law to physical and mental cruelty on account of dowry demands etc. Learned senior counsel submits that the deceased ended her life as she was suffering from depression and not because of the alleged harassment. He further submits that in compliance of order dated 04.01.2022, the petitioner had joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

Learned State counsel assisted by learned counsel for the complainant, while opposing the prayer and submissions made by counsel opposite has invited the attention of the Court to the reply filed as well as the allegations levelled in the FIR, states that the petitioner along with his wife and son i.e. husband of the deceased had been subjecting the deceased to continuous mental and physical torture. One day prior to the occurrence in question, the deceased had telephoned her mother and asked her to take her away else she would be killed. He further submits that the petitioner had not cooperated during investigation and hence his custodial interrogation was required.

Heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the relevant material placed on record.

In the wake of the serious and specific allegations levelled against the petitioner coupled with the fact that he had not cooperated during investigation, this Court is not inclined to extend the extraordinary concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Dismissed.

However, it is made clear that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

02.03.2022

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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