

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

**CRM-M No.22703 of 2023
Date of Decision: 26.07.2023**

Rattan Lal

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA

Present:- Mr. Arjun Kapur, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Mohinder Singh Joshi, Addl. AG, Punjab.

Mr. Barjinder Singh, Advocate, appearing for
Mr. G.S.Dhindsa, Advocate,
for the complainant.

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MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA, J.(ORAL)

By way of the instant petition, the petitioner has sought the relief of pre-arrest/anticipatory bail in the criminal case arisen out of the FIR bearing No.21 dated 18.03.2023 registered at Police Station Women, District Patiala, under Sections 406 & 498-A IPC.

2. Learned State counsel, on the instructions from ASI Tejinder Pal Singh No.2291, Patiala, from the above-referred Police Station, informs the Court that the petitioner has joined in the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required and moreover, he is also not involved in any other criminal case of the similar nature.

3. Keeping in view the afore-discussed submission as made by

learned State counsel as well as the fact that vide the order dated 05.05.2023 passed by the Co-ordinate Bench, the Investigating officer had been directed to refrain from taking coercive steps against the petitioner, the present petition is allowed to the effect that the petitioner is extended the relief of anticipatory/pre-arrest bail subject to his furnishing the requisite personal as well as surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer.

4. However, the petitioner shall continue to join in the investigation as and when required/called upon to do so and shall also strictly abide by all the conditions as laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

26th July, 2023
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(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Whether Reportable:</i>	<i>No</i>