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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-52773-2022
Date of Decision:- 16.02.2023

GURPREET SINGHPetitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB ...Respondent

CORAM:-HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present: Mr. Anshul Jain, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. M.S.Joshi, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J. (Oral)

The petitioner – Gurpreet Singh has filed this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.118 dated 11.08.2022 under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC registered at Police Station Division No.3, Ludhiana.

As per the facts of the case one written complaint was filed by the complainant Harpreet Kaur against her husband Gurpreet Singh and his family alleging that she got married with Gurpreet Singh on 25.01.2015 as per Sikh Rites. She was given dowry by her parents. The list of dowry articles was filed separately. After marriage she was harassed and maltreated in the matrimonial home on account of their demand for more dowry. They started raising demand for cash of Rs.5 lacs and a car. The mother and brother of the applicant gave money and other gifts to save her married life. A Panchayat was also convened to settle the dispute. Ultimately she was compelled to live in her mother's house since

28.01.2021 The matter was investigated and the present FIR was registered.

Learned counsel for the petitioner argued that the matter has been compromised between the parties. They have settled their terms and conditions. He has already joined the investigation. He is further ready to join the investigation as and when required. Therefore, his anticipatory bail may be allowed.

This fact is also confirmed by counsel representing the State. Photocopy of compromise is placed on record along with recovery memo regarding recovery of dowry articles which are duly identified by the complainant.

Considering the aforesaid facts, the anticipatory bail filed by the petitioner – Gurpreet Singh is allowed. He be not arrested and in case of his arrest he be released on bail to the satisfaction of Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer subject to the conditions enshrined under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

The petition is, accordingly, accepted.

16.02.2023

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(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

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