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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-12059-2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 21.02.2024

GURPREET SINGH

.. Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. S.P.S. Khaira, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Adhiraj Singh Thind, AAG, Punjab.

None for respondent No.2.

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SUMEET GOEL, J. (Oral)

1. This petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.7 dated 02.02.2023, under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station Women Patiala.
2. On 24.03.2023, the following order was passed:-

“Notice of the application.

Mr. Jashandeep Singh, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Application is allowed and petitioner's arrest shall remain stayed.”
3. On 01.12.2023, the following order was passed:

“Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks some time to get his instructions.

On his request, adjourned to 21.02.2024.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to rejoin investigation and cooperate with the investigating agency.

Interim order to continue.”
4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from HC Mahinder Singh has stated that pursuant to the order dated 01.12.2023, the petitioner

interrogation. It has been further submitted that the dowry articles in questions stand recovered.

5. In view of above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 01.12.2023 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.
6. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be interpreted as granting petitioner indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.
7. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for cancellation/recall of this order in case the petitioner violates any condition stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C., 1973 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.
8. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.

21.02.2024

Jasmine Kaur

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes	No
Whether reportable	Yes	No