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206/2 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-12937-2023 (O&M)
DATE OF DECISION : 08.04.2024

RAVINDER SINGH ... PETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER ... RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN

Present: Mr. Rajat Dogra, Advocate for
Mr. SPS Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Himani Arora, A.A.G., Punjab.
Mr. D.S.Khurana, Advocate for respondent No.2.

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HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.202 dated 04.12.2022 under Sections 406, 498-A IPC and Section 4 of Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961, registered at Police Station, City Jalalabad, District Fazilka.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that initially the FIR was registered due to matrimonial dispute at the instance of respondent No.2-wife of the petitioner. Though the matter could not be compromised in the Mediation and Conciliation Center. However, later on with the intervention of the respectables, the matter stands settled. The petitioner is ready to join the investigation. A separate petition for quashing of the FIR on the basis of compromise bearing CRM-M-2376-2024 has already been filed. The arrest of the petitioner has been stayed vide order dated 15.03.2023 passed by this Court and the same reads as under:-

petitioner as well as the complainant are government teachers. The child born out of the wedlock is with the petitioner and he is willing to save the marriage by settling all disputes amicably with the respondent-complainant.

Notice of motion for 17.07.2023 to explore the possibility of settlement between the parties.

In the meanwhile, petitioner's arrest shall remain stayed. ”

3. Learned counsel for respondent No.2 has confirmed the factum of compromise between the parties.

4. In view of the above and in view of the reasons recorded in the order dated 15.03.2023, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to join investigation within seven days and in the event of arrest, he shall be released on bail, to the satisfaction of the arresting officer/Area Magistrate, subject to furnishing bonds/surety, and also subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That the petitioner shall further make himself available for interrogation by a police officer as and when required.

(ii) That the petitioner shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer.

(iii) That the petitioner shall not leave India without the prior permission of the Trial Court/CJM concerned.

5. In case of non-compliance of the aforesaid conditions by the petitioner, the State/respondent No.2-complainant would be at liberty to move appropriate application/petition for cancellation of this order.

08.04.2024

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(HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN)
JUDGE

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