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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-62129-2023 (O&M)

Date of Decision:- 01.04.2025

Ravi

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM:-HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present:- Mr. Abhilaksh Grover, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Ambika Sood, Addl. A.G. Haryana.

Mr. Mohit Khatkar, Advocate
for Mr. Rahul Deswal, Advocate
for the complainant.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J.(Oral)

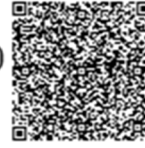
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This is an application filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for placing on record statements of prosecution witnesses as Annexures P-11 to P-16.

For the reasons enumerated in application, same is allowed. Accompanying documents i.e. Annexures P-11 to P-16 are taken on record, subject to all just exceptions.

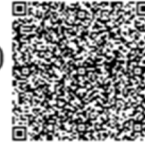
Main case

1. Petitioner – Ravi has filed petition under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in FIR No. 276 dated 17.09.2022 (Annexure P-1) under Section 304-B/34 of IPC, alternatively charged under Section 306 of IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines, Jind.



2. As per the facts of case, complainant Suresh Kumar gave his statement to police that he had performed marriage of his daughter Ankita i.e. victim on 19.02.2022 with Ravi Kumar. He had given dowry as per his financial capacity. After one month of marriage, Ravi Kumar-husband and other members of in-laws family started harassing his daughter. She disclosed about the harassment caused to her on phone. He went to the house of his daughter and requested the members of in-laws family to keep her properly in matrimonial home. Ravi Kumar and his family members told him that they wanted to open a shop for Ravi Kumar, therefore, they wanted money for that purpose. He requested them to wait for some time and he would try to arrange money. Again on 17.09.2022, his daughter called him and told about the conduct of her husband and members of in-laws family. She disclosed that she wanted to end her life and then disconnected the phone. He again called his daughter but her phone was showing busy. He contacted his brother-in-law Sombir to reach matrimonial house of his daughter. He was informed by Sombir on reaching matrimonial home that his daughter had consumed poison and she was admitted in Malik Hospital. Complainant reached Malik Hospital and by that time his daughter had expired. Complainant named Ravi Kumar-husband and other members of in-laws family responsible for death of his daughter.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner argued that Ravi was arrested on 21.09.2022 and since then he is behind the bars. All material prosecution witnesses have been examined. All allegations levelled against petitioner are false. There was no maltreatment or any demand raised from



complainant. Learned counsel for petitioner referred to the testimony of Suresh Kumar PW-1 (Annexure P-8). It is pointed out that allegations are vague. There is statement of Anil PW-2 (Annexure P-12) who stated that no dowry was demanded in his presence. Prosecution has already examined four witnesses. In fact, victim suffered miscarriage and on that account, she was depressed. Medical record of victim is Annexure P-6. Without considering the factual position, regular bail application of petitioner was wrongly declined by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Jind vide order dated 15.03.2023 (Annexure P-7). Petitioner is ready to abide by terms of bail order. It is prayed that regular bail petition filed by petitioner may be allowed.

4. Bail petition is opposed by learned counsel representing complainant as well as learned State counsel. Detailed status report has been filed confirming the allegations. It is pointed out that during the course of investigation, record was collected. It was a case of unnatural death. There is recording of telephonic conversation between victim and her father regarding harassment caused to victim. After investigation, challan was presented only qua husband i.e. petitioner Ravi. Out of 24 prosecution witnesses, 11 witnesses have been examined. There are specific serious allegations against petitioner. Therefore, his regular bail petition may be dismissed.

5. I have considered the arguments and have gone through the record carefully. It is pointed out that marriage of present petitioner was performed with victim on 19.02.2022 and occurrence took place within 7 months of marriage. It is a case of unnatural death in matrimonial home.



Evidence of prosecution witnesses are being recorded. Evidence led in this case will be considered at appropriate stage. Other material witnesses are yet to be examined. Considering the gravity of offence and specific allegations, I do not find a fit case for grant of regular bail to petitioner and petition filed by him is accordingly, dismissed.

6. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, stand disposed of accordingly as well.

01.04.2025

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(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

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