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

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Date of decision: 22.04.2025

KIRAN PAL

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE **AMARJOT BHATTI**

Present: Mr. Pawan K. Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Kewal Singh, Addl.A.G. Punjab.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J.

Petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. read with Section 482 BNSS, 2023 for grant of pre-arrest bail in FIR No.83, dated 29.10.2024, under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station Talwara, District Hoshiarpur.

2. As per facts of the case, Bhawana Kumari filed written complaint against her husband Kiran Pal and other members of in-laws family levelling the allegations of maltreatment and demand of dowry articles. It is submitted that marriage of Bhawana Kumari took place with Kiran Pal on 06.12.2021. Both of them came in contact through social media in November 2019. After engagement in June/July 2021, the petitioner told that he wanted to settle abroad. Their engagement was settled on 26.04.2021. A dispute took place regarding purchase of ring but thereafter matter was settled and everything became normal. At the time of ring ceremony and marriage, gold ornaments and costly gifts were given. Soon after marriage, behaviour of her mother-in-law changed. She was



taunted for not bringing dressing table and wardrobe. She was pressurized to bring money from her father. Her father gave money in December 2021. Their demand increased with the passage of time. Thereafter, her husband started raising demand for Thar vehicle. Her husband joined his duty. She has narrated various incidents of torture and harassment by her husband and members of in-laws family. Her husband started avoiding her and he also sent a divorce notice directly. He caused her physical and mental harassment so that she could not complete her education. Ultimately, present complaint was filed on the basis of which present FIR has been registered.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner raised the issue that he was granted interim relief and he has also joined the investigation. Matter was referred to Mediation and Conciliation Centre but it remained unsettled. He has handed over the dowry articles. He is still ready to join the investigation as and when required. It is submitted that anticipatory bail application may be allowed.

4. Status report filed confirming that petitioner joined investigation and all dowry articles have been recovered by the Investigating Agency except gold ornaments i.e. gold kitty necklace, gold nose ring and a pair of silver panjeban.

5. I have considered the aforesaid factual position. Petitioner has cooperated with the investigating agency, as a result, all dowry articles have been recovered except three items as referred above. No purpose would be served by sending the petitioner behind the bars. He is still ready to cooperate with the investigating agency. Therefore, without expressing my mind on the merits of the case, anticipatory bail petition filed by the



petitioner- Kiran Pal is allowed. He shall not be arrested. In case of his arrest, he be released on bail to the satisfaction of Arresting/ Investigating Officer concerned, subject to condition that petitioner will join the investigation as and when required. He will not tamper with or interfere with investigation and will not leave country without prior permission as provided under Section 438(2) of Cr.P.C./482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

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

(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

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| 1. Whether speaking/ reasoned | : | Yes /No |
| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes /No |