

IN THE COURT OF JASPINDER SINGH,
ADDITIONAL SESSIONS JUDGE, PATIALA
(UID No.PB00148)

Bail Application No. : 3078/2022

CNR Number : PBPT01-009714-2022

Date of Institution : 14.9.2022

Date of Order : 16.9.2022

Manpreet Singh son of Sh.Jaswinder Singh, resident of Village Raipur
Gujran, Tehsil Nakodar, District Jalandhar.

.....Accused/Applicant
Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

FIR Number: 41 dated 19.7.2022

Under Section: 406/498-A IPC

Police Station : Women, Patiala.

Present: Sh.R.P.S Bhullar,,Adv.Counsel for applicant
Sh.Charanjit Bhullar, Addl.PP for the State

ORDER:

1. This order of mine shall dispose of Ist bail application U/s 438 Cr.P.C filed on behalf of accused/applicant for grant of anticipatory bail.
2. The applicant/accused has filed the present bail application with the averments that applicant/accused is an innocent person and has committed no offence. It has been further averred that applicant is ready

and willing to join the investigation as and when directed by this court. Thus, applicant/accused has prayed for grant of anticipatory bail.

3. Upon notice issued to State, learned Addl.PP for the State appeared and ASI Japinder Singh has also come present and produced police record.

4. I have heard learned Counsel for applicant/accused and learned Addl.PP for the State and gone through the file very carefully.

5. Learned Counsel for applicant has submitted that co-accused have already been granted bail. The applicant is ready to cooperate and join the investigation. Perusal of file shows that in this case, FIR was registered against three persons i.e present applicant Manpreet Singh, his father Jaswinder Singh and mother Paramjit Kaur. Jaswinder Singh and Paramjit Kaur have been granted anticipatory bail after they joined investigation. The matter was sent for mediation, which has failed. FIR was registered, when application was moved by complainant Gurpreet Kaur to SSP, Patiala, alleging that her marriage was solemnized with applicant Manpreet Singh on 18.11.2020. In the marriage and also before marriage, dowry articles were given. The accused have demanded Scorpio car before the marriage, but parents of complainant have given Hundai Venue car in the marriage, apart from giving gold articles to applicant, his parents and other relatives. Furniture and day to day articles were also given in the marriage. One bracelet was given to present applicant, but accused were not satisfied with the dowry and they started torturing her for bringing less dowry. In

June 2021, her husband and family members purchased land and they asked complainant to bring Rs.7.00 Lac as they were short of this money. When complainant refused, she was beaten mercilessly. Other family members of accused mentioned in the complaint are also inciting the accused asserting that complainant should bring more dowry. Under their instigation, her husband used to beat her. On 25.12.2021, maternal uncle and aunt came to her matrimonial house as they have to perform marriage of their son and they invited in laws family, but family of husband of complainant did not attend the marriage and they have only sent complainant and have not come to take back the complainant. On 18.1.2022, when family members of complainant went to leave complainant to her matrimonial house, she was not allowed. Panchayat was convened, where demand of cash amount was raised and they refused to rehabilitate the complainant. So, as per allegations, applicant, who is husband of complainant has raised demand of dowry again and again and she was not allowed to enter in the matrimonial house. Even when, Panchayat was convened, they again raised demand of dowry, whereas, as per police file, ample dowry has already been given, which included Veneue car in the name of present applicant, gold articles were also given, bills of which are there on the police file, which comes out to be of around 25 Tolas. Recovery of same is to be effected. So, custodial interrogation of applicant is required. Thus, in my opinion, applicant is not entitled to concession of

anticipatory bail. Hence, present bail application is dismissed. Police record be returned forthwith. The bail application file be consigned to the record room.

Announced.
16.9.2022
(Rakesh Jain),
Stenographer Gr.II

(Jaspinder Singh),
Addl.Sessions Judge,
Patiala. (UID No.PB00148)