## IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

Applicant Wagar Ahmed 2 through Syed Zainuddin, Advocate along with applicant Respondent The State 2 through Mr. Saleem Akhtar Buriro, Additional Prosecutor General, Sindh 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 Date of hearing : Date of short order : 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 Date of reasons :

Crl. Bail Application No. 1996 of 2024

## <u>ORDER</u>

<u>Omar Sial, J</u>: Waqar Ahmed has sought pre-arrest bail in crime number 171 of 2024 registered under section 504, 506/2 and 337-A(i) P.P.C. at the Site A police station. He applied for bail before the learned 8<sup>th</sup> Additional Sessions Judge, Karachi West but the application was dismissed on 22.05.2024.

2. The case against Waqar was registered on 17.04.2024 on the complaint of Shagufta. Shagufta reported that on 03.04.2024, her son-in-law Waqar came to her house with her daughter. As soon as they entered the house, Waqar started to beat his wife and, in that episode, bruised the wife and inflicted a small cut on the complainant's hand. On 16.04.2024, Waqar came to the house again with a pistol and threatened the inmates of the house. The inmates locked themselves in a room, and Waqar went away.

3. I have heard the learned counsel for the applicant and the learned Additional Prosecutor General.

4. Learned counsel for the applicant submitted that this false case was filed as the complainant did not want her daughter to marry Waqar, but the couple still decided to marry. Being unhappy with the marriage, she had constantly pressurized her daughter to divorce Waqar but her refusal to do so had led to the current case. Whether the story is true or not, there is nothing on record to show that it is false. The record certainly reflects that it is a family dispute. Malafide, therefore, cannot be conclusively ruled out.

5. Offences under section 504 and 337-A(i) P.P.C. are bailable, whereas the offence under section 506/2 P.P.C., apart from the fact that it requires further inquiry, also falls within the non-prohibitory clause of section 497 Cr.P.C. I do not see any exceptional or extraordinary grounds to decline the applicant's bail.

6. The reasons for the short order dated 27.09.2024 are as above.

JUDGE