

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M- No.17778 of 2015

Date of decision: 29.10.2015

Paramjit Kaur

-----Petitioner (s)

V/s

State of Punjab

-----Respondent(s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

1. Whether reporters of local newspapers may be allowed to see judgment?
2. To be referred to reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?

Present:- Mr. Gorakh Nath, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sultan Singh Gill, DAG, Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA, J.(Oral)

Prayer made in the present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail pending trial to the petitioner in the case FIR No.85, dated 09.06.2014, under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 474 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station, Phase VIII, Mohali (Punjab).

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is an illiterate lady and is in custody since 13.06.2014. She being the wife of other co-accused, namely, Surjit Singh, had signed the various documents as and when entrusted to her. He further contends

that the petitioner is not involved in any other case except the present one.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI-Shamsher Singh, submits that even if the petitioner is an illiterate lady, but the allegation against her are serious in nature, as the amount withdrawn by the petitioner on account of compensation is around Rs.1.41 Crores.

However, considering the fact that the petitioner is an illiterate lady and is in custody since 13.06.2014 and coupled with the fact that the offence is triable by the Magistrate, the present petition is allowed.

Accordingly, the petitioner, namely, Paramjit Kaur wife of Surjit Singh, is ordered to be released on bail, subject to her furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court, Mohali.

However, expression made here-in-above shall not be construed as an expression on the merit of the case and the trial Court shall be at liberty to decide the case on the basis of available evidence.

October 29, 2015

Anjal

**(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE**