

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

Sr. No. 219

CRM-M-31450-2016

Date of Decision : 15.09.2016

ASHA RANI

..... PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

..... RESPONDENT

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Inderjit Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. A.K.Khurana, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

This is a petition for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.86 dated 21.06.2016 registered under Sections 420/379/365/384/342/506/120-B/148/149 IPC at P.S.Canal Colony, Bathinda District Bhatinda.

As per the allegations, the petitioner along with her co-accused

first tied the complainant in a room and by threatening and beating him,

took an amount of Rs. 1, 20,000/- from him.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that the first ground on which he is seeking bail is that the FIR was lodged after more than five months and there is no explanation for the same.

Learned Addl. A.G on instructions from HC Gurdev Singh states that at present they are not able to show what stopped the police from lodging the FIR after so much time.

Keeping in view all these facts, I do not deem it appropriate to dismiss the petition. Resultantly, the petition is allowed. The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 24.09.2016 between 10:00 a.m to 04:00p.m. or on any other date as and when her presence is required. In the event of arrest of the petitioner, she will be released on anticipatory bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

September 15, 2016
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(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No