

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

(205)

**CRM-M-31479-2016 (O&M)
Decided on: September 30, 2016.**

Babita @ Baby

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.S. BEDI

Present: Mr. S.K. Garg Narwana, Sr. Advocate, with
Mr. Karan Garg, Advocate and Mr. Dilbag Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurdas Singh Salwara, DAG, Haryana.

M.M.S. BEDI, J (ORAL)

Petitioner is one of the twenty accused who are facing trial in a case registered at the instance of complainant Shiv Pal alleging that his wife Sarita and others had died in an event dated 18.11.2014 in which the complainant and his family members were forcibly retained in Satlok Aashram and an attempt was made to thwart the attempt of the police to enter the Aashram by making a human barrier used as shield.

So far as the petitioner is concerned, she is an unmarried lady and had allegedly connived with others creating circumstances in which the wife of the complainant had died because of suffocation.

After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and going through the police file, it transpires that the role attributed to the petitioner is that she is responsible for detaining the ladies in a room on asking of the main accused Rampal. There are vague

allegations against her that her father Baljeet used to financially support the followers of Satlok Aashram. The petitioner has been involved on the basis of disclosure statement alleged to have been made by the petitioner herself. Her name is not specifically mentioned by other PWs to be responsible for causing the death of Sarita and five others. She has been in custody since 09.12.2014.

Without expression of any opinion on merits of the case at this stage, the petitioner being a lady, can be granted the concession of bail in the light of proviso of Section 437 (1) Cr.P.C.

The petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on her furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

September 30, 2016
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Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether Reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No