

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

Date of decision:04.03.2016

Vandana Duggal

.....Petitioner

v.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Mr.Rajinder Kumar Bajaj,Advocate for the petitioner

Mr.Kirat Singh Sidhu,DAG Punjab
assisted by ASI Amarjeet Singh

Jaswant Singh,J.(Oral)

Prayer is for grant of pre-arrest bail on behalf of accused Vandana Duggal in case FIR No.211 dated 31.10.2015 under Sections 406/420/506/120-B IPC and 24 of the Immigration Act,PS Division NO.8,Jalandhar.

Complainant Mohd.Salman Haider alleges that he alongwith his two cousins were promised by non-applicant co-accused Rakesh Duggal that on payment of Rs.9 lacs all three of them would be taken to Macau on a work permit and secured jobs having salary @ Rs.70,000/- per month. It is alleged that payment of Rs.9 lacs was made and three complainants were taken to Macau, however, due to non-obtaining of work permit,they were deported back. Since the money

was not returned and the promise was not fulfilled the FIR was lodged.

It is contended that petitioner-accused has been roped in simply because she is wife of main accused. The allegations against her are that she received a sum of Rs.50,000/- from one of the complainant and as such no offence is made out. It is further submitted that main accused-Rakesh Duggal has since surrendered before the police, and the petitioner already joined investigation and her custodial interrogation is no longer required.

Learned State counsel on instructions does not refute the aforesaid factual position.

In this view of the matter, interim bail granted vide order dated 1.1.2016 is made absolute.

Disposed of.

04.03.2016
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(Jaswant Singh)
Judge