

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

CRM-M No.542 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 23.02.2016

Sawita Kumari @ Sawita Devi

..... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Vinay Begra, Advocate for
Mr. Kawaljyot Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. R.S.Randhawa, Additional Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State assisted by H.C. Bhupinder Singh

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Prayer is for grant of anticipatory bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C. to the petitioner-Sawita Kumari @ Sawita Devi in case FIR No.278 dated 02.12.2015 under Sections 420 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Cantonment, Distt. Amritsar City.

As per allegations levelled by complainants Arvinder Singh, Ajaypal Singh and Sukhraj Singh, the petitioner along with her co-accused sons, namely, Mukesh and Ankush had taken Rs.5 lacs for sending complainants to Kambodia and Australia on work permit. However, neither the money was returned nor they were transported ahead of Bangkok.

It was contended that the petitioner is mother of two co-accused and has been falsely implicated to put pressure. That apart, it is submitted that on similar allegations, a cancellation report (**Annexure P-4**) has been submitted in respect of another complainant-Parminder Singh.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and her custodial interrogation is no longer required.

Learned State Counsel, assisted by HC Bhupinder Singh, concedes that the petitioner has joined the investigation.

In view of the above, interim protection/pre-arrest bail granted by this Court, vide order dated 08.01.2016, is made absolute.

Disposed of.

February 23, 2016

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**