

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

(223)

CRM-M-8556-2015

Decided on: April 11, 2016.

Jyoti @ Rani

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

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

Present: Mr. S.S. Sidhu, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Jashan Preet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. R.S. Shekhon, Advocate, for the complainant.

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

Petitioner is a lady, who is alleged to have duped the complainant by administering some intoxicating substance and obtaining his signatures on blank papers. Complainant Rasala Singh who is 72/73 years of age, is alleged to have been made to forcibly marry the petitioner for grabbing his property.

The petitioner was arrested in this case on 26.01.2015. A Coordinate Bench of this Court had granted her interim bail during pendency of the petition, on 30.06.2015.

Learned counsel for the complainant has intervened to oppose application for bail, submitting that the petitioner has tried to misuse her liberty by launching a criminal prosecution under Section 376 IPC against the complainant.

Without expression of any opinion on merits, whether a lady who claims herself to be the wife could level allegation of rape against her husband, I deem it appropriate to confirm the order of interim bail granted to the petitioner by a Coordinate Bench of this Court.

Petition is allowed. It is ordered that the petitioner will remain on bail against the bail bonds already furnished by her pursuant to the interim order, during pendency of the trial.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

April 11, 2016
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