

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-24153-2017

Date of decision: July 11, 2017.

Smt. Suchi Bajaj

... **Petitioner**

v.

State of Haryana

... **Respondent**

CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.B. CHAUDHARI**

Present: Shri C.M. Munjal , Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Shri Shivendra Swaroop, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana.

A.B. Chaudhari, J. (Oral):

Rule. Heard forthwith. Mr. Shivendra Swaroop, AAG, Haryana waives service.

In FIR No.655 dated 6.9.2012, under Sections 166, 167, 420, 120-B IPC read with Section 7/12 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, registered at Police Station City Sirsa, District Sirsa, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail.

The prosecution case is that in place of one available post, two persons were appointed. Challan has been filed now on 2.6.2017 in the case which was lodged in the year 2012. The offences under Sections 166, 167, 420, 120-B IPC and 7/12 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 are non-bailable.

Undoubtedly, there is a dishonesty on the part of the petitioner in appointing two persons in place of one. However, I find that the period of five years has already passed and there is no point in arresting the petitioner. In that view of the matter, following order is passed:-

ORDER

- (i) CRM-M-24153-2017 is allowed;
- (ii) the petitioner shall be released on bail in FIR No.655 dated 6.9.2012, under Sections 166, 167, 420, 120-B IPC read with Section 7/12 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, registered at Police Station City Sirsa, District Sirsa;
- (iii) the petitioner shall appear before the trial court and furnish bail bonds to its satisfaction upon which he will be released on bail.

July 11, 2017.

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[A.B. Chaudhari]
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No