

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

Crl. Misc. M-42582 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: October 03, 2018

Sinder Kaur @ Shinder Kaur

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Gurinder Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Rajni Gupta, Senior DAG Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.117 dated 15.10.2017, under Sections 307, 498-A, 34 of Indian Penal Code (Section 302 of IPC added later on), registered at Police Station Bhikhi, District Mansa.

Learned counsel for the petitioner herein contends that the petitioner was taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR on 24.10.2017. It is argued that the petitioner is the mother of Sarban Singh, husband of the deceased. It is contended that marriage between Sarban Singh and the deceased was solemnized about 14 years ago and in the interregnum period no such incident regarding cruelty/demand of dowry has been recorded. It

is also contended that out of total 16 witnesses, 03 witnesses, including the material witnesses have been examined and conclusion of trial will take sufficient time, therefore, the petitioner is entitled to be enlarged on bail.

Per contra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer opposes the grant of regular bail to the petitioner, however, does not dispute the fact that material witnesses have been examined.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since, the trial is likely to take some time and in view of the facts that the petitioner herein has been in custody since 24.10.2017 and that statement of the material witnesses have been recorded, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars. At this stage, without commenting on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

October 03, 2018

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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No