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

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Date of Decision: 08.04.2019

Usha Rani

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Nishant Sharma, Advocate for
Mr. Hitesh Pandit, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

None for respondent No.2.

INDERJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

As per office report, respondent No.2 has been duly served.

However, none has appeared on her behalf.

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of anticipatory bail in CRA No.274 of 2018 (arising out of complaint titled as 'Ranjit Kaur Vs. Usha Rani'), pending before the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur.

Notice of motion was issued in this case. Learned State counsel has put in appearance on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

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I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and gone through the record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner absented herself from the court proceedings in an appeal filed by her against the conviction under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act.

As stated, the petitioner has already surrendered before the Appellate Court and has been released on interim bail.

The disposal of appeal may take a long time. No useful purpose will be served by sending the petitioner to custody and then to keep her in custody till the final disposal of the appeal. Therefore, finding merit in the present petition, the same is allowed. The order dated 27.02.2019, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute.

08.04.2019

parveen kumar

**(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE**

Note:	Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
	Whether reportable	:	No