

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

CRM-M-34333 of 2019
Date of Decision:29.08.2019

Shaveta @ Sunita Rani

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

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...Respondent

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: Ms. Narender Kaur, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.(Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Cr.P.C.) for seeking bail pending trial in case FIR No. 176 dated 15.06.2019, under Sections 420 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Division No.8, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 15.06.2019 and after investigation in the matter report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. was submitted on 13.08.2019 and now the case is fixed for consideration of charges on 29.08.2019. Further contends that there is no other criminal case pending against the petitioner and the trial is likely

to take long time, hence, she be enlarged on bail.

The above factual position is duly acknowledged by learned State counsel on instructions from the police official and opposed the bail primarily on the ground that there are some entries that reflects the complicity of the petitioner in the present case that she received an amount of Rs. 1 lac from the complainant.

Heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the paper book.

In view of the fact that the petitioner, being a female, is in custody since 15.06.2019 and report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. was submitted on 13.08.2019 and now the case is fixed for consideration of charges on 29.08.2019, thus the trial is likely to take a long time to be concluded, no useful purpose would be served by keeping her behind the bars any more.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this petition is accepted. Petitioner-Shaveta @ Sunita Rani be admitted to bail on her furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

However, it is made clear that above observations may not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merit of the case pending before learned trial Court.

[MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU]
JUDGE

August 29, 2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable?

yes/no
yes/no