

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

CRM M 13470 of 2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 11.6.2020

Ranjit Kaur

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV NARAIN RAINA

Present: Mr. Mandeep Singh Sachdev, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Suveer Sheokhand, Addl. A.G., Punjab

RAJIV NARAIN RAINA, J. (Oral)

1. The matter is taken up today through Video Conferencing/WhatsApp due to pandemic of COVID-19.
2. Notice of motion. On the asking of this Court, Mr. Suveer Sheokhand, Addl. A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State. Copy of the petition has already been supplied to the State in advance.
3. This petition has been filed under Article 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of bail pending trial in FIR No. 32 dated 6.10.2018 under Sections 302/201/34 of the IPC registered at P.S. Patara, District Jalandhar.
4. Learned counsel for the submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case on the basis of disclosure/confession statement allegedly made by the petitioner. The versions in the FIR and the disclosure statement are contradictory to each other. In the FIR, it has been alleged that the deceased had to take money from the petitioner whereas in the disclosure statement allegedly made before the police authority, it was alleged that she was having illicit relations with the

deceased. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner is in judicial custody since 6.10.2018 and no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars.

5. Learned counsel for the State has vehemently opposed the bail application of the petitioner. Learned counsel submits that it is a very serious offence.

6. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and gone through the paper-book.

7. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I am of the view that trial will take a long time to conclude and no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars.

8. In view of the above, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to her furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial court/Duty Magistrate.

11.6.2020
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(RAJIV NARAIN RAINA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No