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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-13630-2020
Date of Decision: 15.06.2020

Mandeep Kaur

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Ritesh Pandey, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ajay Pal Singh, DAG, Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking regular bail in case FIR No.23 dated 09.04.2018, under Sections 302, 365, 201 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Purana Shalla (Now PS Dina Nagar), District Gurdaspur (Annexure P-1).

[2]. Ld. Counsel for the petitioner submits, *inter alia*, that the petitioner, who is a woman, has remained in detention for more than two years, since 10.06.2018.

[3]. It further transpires that the material emerging against the petitioner, or for that matter, her husband Mehnga Singh (since deceased), was on the basis of a statement allegedly given by one Rama, a servant in the house of the petitioner, before one Raj Kumar. It is further highlighted that even according to the version of the co-accused Rama, actual attack upon the deceased-victim, was imputed only to the husband of the

petitioner, and she was only said to be present at the place of occurrence at the relevant time.

[4]. Be that as it may; Without commenting on the merits of the over all prosecution proceedings of the case and considering the long detention already undergone by the petitioner, she is ordered to be released on regular bail, subject to the appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

[5]. Disposed off.

15.06.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
2. Whether reportable: Yes/No