

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

(Proceedings conducted through video Conference)

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CRM-M-24592-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision: 03.09.2020

REENA KUMARI @ KALARIA @ REENA MAAN AND ANR

...Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE REKHA MITTAL

Present : Mr. Amit Choudhary, Advocate for the petitioners.

REKHA MITTAL, J. (Oral)

The petitioners pray for grant of regular bail in FIR No.14 dated 24.01.2020 registered at Police Station City Moga, District Moga for offence punishable under Sections 406, 420 and 506 of the Indian Penal Code.

Heard.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Samina Dhir, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of State of Punjab.

Counsel for the petitioners would argue that offences for which the petitioners have been indicted are triable by the Magistrate. It is further argued that petitioners are no longer required for investigation as they have been remanded to judicial custody. On completion of investigation, challan is stated to have been presented in the Court but conclusion of trial may take time particularly in the situation created by Covid-19.

Counsel representing State of Punjab has not disputed the factual submissions but opposed the bail application in the face of allegations against them that they have neither returned the Scorpio vehicle nor amount of Rs.1,51,000/- received from the complainant in deceitful manner.

The petitioners are in custody since first week of July, 2020. Challan has been presented in the Court and conclusion of trial is likely to take its own time. There is no allegation against the petitioners that they will flee from process of justice, in case released on bail.

Without meaning to express any opinion on merits of the case, petitioners are ordered to be released on regular bail on their furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Judicial Magistrate (on duty), Moga. However, they shall abide by the following conditions:-

- (i) They shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him/her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer; and
- (ii) They shall not leave India without previous permission of the Court.

Disposed of.

03.09.2020

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(REKHA MITTAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes / No

Whether reportable:

Yes / No