

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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**CRM-M-33160-2020 (O & M)
Date of Decision: December 04, 2020**

BALVIR KAUR

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Pranav Handa, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.291 dated 01.09.2020, under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B IPC and Section 13 of the Punjab Travel Professions Regulation Act, registered at Police Station Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner are that the petitioner along with co-accused namely Narinder Singh, who is the son of the petitioner, had taken money from the complainant for sending the complainant and his family abroad i.e. to Australia. The complainant and his family went to Bangkok and Fiji and they had to return as they had been sent on a tourist visa. He also contends that the FIR is outcome of a civil dispute between the parties as the complainant is the brother of late husband of the petitioner. The petitioner is a 62 year old lady and is in custody for about 03 months. She is not involved in any other criminal case. He also contends that the allegations are primarily against the son of the

petitioner and the petitioner has been falsely implicated because of the civil dispute which is pending between the parties.

Learned State counsel upon instructions from ASI Harjit Singh states that although the challan has been filed but none of the prosecution witnesses has been examined.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner, especially when the petitioner, who is a 62 year old lady, is in custody for almost 03 months, she is not involved in any other criminal case, Covid 19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on her furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

December 04, 2020
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No