

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

**CRM-M No.49842 of 2019 (O&M)**

**Date of Decision:- 21.01.2020**

Ramanjit Kaur

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH**

Present:- Mr. J.S. Sandhu, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jagmohan Singh Ghumman, DAG, Punjab.

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**RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J.**(Oral)

Petitioner seeks grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C in case bearing FIR No.165 dated 05.09.2019, registered under Sections 489-B and 489-C of IPC at Police Station Kotwali, District Bathinda, Punjab.

The FIR was registered on the basis of secret information to the effect that the petitioner was dealing in counterfeit currency and can be apprehended. It was also alleged that the petitioner was purchasing some articles from a shop in the market with those counterfeit notes. A raid was conducted

and the petitioner was apprehended. From the possession of the plaintiff, two counterfeit notes of Rs.100/- and 3 notes of Rs.200/- each totally Rs.800/- were recovered from her personal search.

On the basis of her disclosure, Jagdish Kumar was also arrested and counterfeit currency notes worth Rs.10,05,400/- along with printer, scanner and packet/copy were recovered.

Offence under Section 489-C IPC is in respect of possession of forged currency notes which is cognizable, bailable and non-compoundable and is triable by Court of Sessions.

Offence under Section 489-B IPC would remain debatable. So far as, complicity of the petitioner is concerned, since the raid was conducted on the basis of secret information, therefore, it would also be debatable as to the reasons which were required to be recorded by the Investigating Officer in his ziminies. The petitioner is a lady and is in custody since 05.09.2019.

At this stage, without meaning anything on the merits of the case, it would be just and appropriate to release the petitioner on regular bail.

In view of above, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be enlarged on bail, subject to her

furnishing adequate bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of  
Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bathinda.

Nothing expressed hereinabove shall be construed to  
be an opinion on merits of the case.

**21.01.2020**

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**( Raj Mohan Singh )  
Judge**

Whether speaking /reasoned  
Whether Reportable

Yes / No  
Yes / No