

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

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CRM-M-183-2020

Date of Decision: 22.07.2021

Manjit Kaur ...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab ...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Vaibhav Narang, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Randhir Singh Thind, DAG, Punjab,
assisted by SI Deepak Kumar.

(proceedings conducted through video conferencing)

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has approached this Court seeking grant of anticipatory bail in respect of a case registered against her vide FIR No.100 dated 12.09.2018 at Police Station Morinda, District Rupnagar, under Sections 406/420/120-B IPC, wherein the allegations are mainly to the effect that Jagtar Singh had cheated the complainant Gian Singh by representing that he was owner of land measuring 49 Kanal and 9 Marla and also by showing a *jamabandi* wherein the land in question was stated to be mutated in his name. However, later upon inquiries, it transpired that the *jamabandi* in question was a forged document.
2. While the FIR was lodged in the year 2018, the petitioner claims that she is ex-wife of the main accused Jagtar Singh and that her marriage stood dissolved by a decree of divorce dated 15.01.2014.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that in any case she is not even named in the FIR and has subsequently been nominated on the basis of an alleged disclosure statement of a co-accused.

3. On the other hand, learned State counsel has informed that during the course of investigation, the petitioner has been found innocent and that she is not wanted by the police for custodial interrogation.
4. In view of the aforestated position, the petition is accepted and the interim directions issued by this Court vide order dated 08.01.2020 are hereby made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

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**(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: **Yes/No**
Whether reportable: **Yes/No**