

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

CRM-M-19804 of 2020

Date of decision: 08.11.2021

Dimple Kaur

Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. R. S. Mamli, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Amit Mehta, Senior DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

This petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is filed seeking bail in FIR No. 120 dated 15.5.2020, under Sections 381, 420, 120-B IPC (Sections 411, 419, 465, 467, 468 and 471 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station Civil Lines, Patiala.

As per the allegations in the FIR, the petitioner and her husband were working as domestic help of the complainant. They misused a signed cheque of the complainant and withdrew a sum of Rs.12,30,000/-.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 31.5.2020, half of the alleged embezzled amount was recovered, investigation is complete and charges have been framed. He further submits that the complainant has not come forward for deposition on last two dates.

Custody certified filed on behalf of the State is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for grant of bail. He submits that the petitioner is involved in another case.

Considering the custody period and the fact that the investigation is complete, conclusion of trial is likely to take time and the petitioner is a young lady of 22 years, the petitioner is granted bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petition is allowed.

It is clarified that observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE

8th November, 2021
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| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes /No |