

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

CRM-M-32427 of 2021

Date of Decision: 12.08.2021

Deepika Bansal

Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. Kulbir Singh Sekhon, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.
Mr. H. S. Sidhu, Advocate for complainant-Arun Sahota

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

This petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. is filed seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 50 dated 18.3.2016, under Sections 406, 420, 465, 467, 468 and 471 IPC, registered at Police Station City Kharar, District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

The FIR was registered at the instance of Yogita Patial. As per the allegations, she had paid certain amount to the petitioner for getting a job in Reserve Bank of India.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that it is a case of false implication. The petitioner had no concern with Reserve Bank of India or any other institution alleged in the FIR. The parties have compromised the matter and amount of Rs.1,30,000/- was returned to the complainant.

Though the complainant has not been impleaded as party, Mr. H. S. Sidhu, Advocate appears on behalf of one of the complainant-Arun Sahota and confirms the factum of compromise.

Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for grant of pre-arrest bail.

Considering the facts and circumstances in totality, no case is made out for custodial interrogation of the petitioner as no recovery is to be made from her. The petitioner is granted anticipatory bail subject to her joining investigation within two weeks. In the event of her arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail subject to her furnishing adequate bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. She is directed to join the investigation as and when called for. She shall abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

The petition is allowed.

In case of failure of petitioner to join the investigation, the State would be at liberty to file an application for re-calling of this order.

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE

12th August, 2021

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| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes / No |