

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No.208

CRM-M-30426-2020

Date of decision: 18.01.2021

Santosh Rani

....Petitioner

versus

The State of Haryana

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. Dhruv Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Kuldeep Tiwari, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

Through the present petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. the petitioner seeks the grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.453 dated 16.10.2019 registered under Section 420 IPC at Police Station Baldev Nagar, District Ambala.

The petitioner is sought to be prosecuted for applying and receiving pension as a widow during her husband's lifetime.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is an illiterate lady who did not apply for grant of any pension and that she has been impersonated; to show her bona fides, as soon as she realized that she has received pension as a widow she immediately returned the same; her husband has died after lodging of the present FIR; there is no other criminal case in which the petitioner is involved and that under the interim orders passed by this Court the petitioner has not only joined the investigation but has also fully cooperated with the investigating agency.

Learned State counsel submits that under the interim orders passed by this Court the petitioner has not only joined the investigation but has also fully co-operated with the investigating agency and that her

custodial interrogation is not required by the State.

After considering the above noticed facts especially the statement made by the learned State counsel that the petitioner has joined the investigation and that her custodial interrogation is not required, the order of this Court dated 30.09.2020, granting ad interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

Nothing observed herein-above shall be considered to be an expression of opinion by this Court on the merits of the case.

(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE

January 18, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No