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

CRM-M-39092-2020

Date of Decision: 09.12.2021

Karamjit Kaur

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Judgepreet Singh Warring, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. R.S. Khaira, AAG, Punjab.

None for respondent No.3/Federal Bank, Mansa.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition filed on behalf of the petitioner for regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.150, dated 27.12.2018, under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of the IPC, registered at Police Station City-I, Mansa, District Mansa.

2. No one has appeared on behalf of respondent No.3/Federal Bank, Mansa, which was last represented on 29.09.2021 by Mr. Prithivesh Jerath, Advocate.

3. Custody Certificate of the petitioner shows that she has remained in custody in connection with the present case for a period of two years, seven months and thirteen days, since 26.04.2019.

4. Ld. Counsel for the petitioner submits that the trial has been held up in view of the fact that now prosecution side has moved an

application under Section 319 of the Cr.P.C. for summoning some other accused persons. A copy of the relevant order passed by Ld. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Mansa, on 01.09.2021, is tendered by Ld. Counsel for the petitioner; Be kept on record.

5. In the circumstances, it is clear that trial in the case is not likely to end anytime soon because in the event of the application filed under Section 319 of the Cr.P.C. being allowed, the trial shall commence *de novo* against the additional accused persons so sought to be summoned.

6. In view of the above, without commenting any further on merits of the present case as a whole and considering the long detention undergone by the petitioner so far, this Court is of the opinion that no useful purpose would be served by keeping her in detention for an indefinite period of time. Therefore, her prayer for regular bail is allowed and she is ordered to be released on bail, subject to appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

7. Disposed off.

09.12.2021

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(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

2. Whether reportable: Yes/No