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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.39995 of 2020 (O&M)
Decided on: 24.11.2021

Natasha Handa

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present : Mr. Ritesh Pandey, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Ankit Aggarwal, Advocate
for the complainant.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

The petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.229 dated 02.11.2020, registered under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 of the IPC at Police Station Sujanpur, District Pathankot.

The operative part of the order dated 02.12.2020, vide which interim anticipatory bail has been granted to the petitioner, is reproduced as under:-

“....Learned counsel submits that as per the allegations in the FIR, registered on the statement of complainant Vishal Jain, the dispute is with regard to Rs. 5,00,000/-, which was deposited in the account of HGI Associates as a security and previously the petitioner was a partner along with her husband Vishal Handa @ Sishal Handa, however, now one Jatinder Singh has been introduced as new partner.

Learned counsel further submits that in order to show her bona fide, the petitioner is ready to deposit an amount of Rs. 5,00,000/- with the Illaqua Magistrate on or before 15.01.2021, without any prejudice to her right of defence and subject to final outcome of the case.

Notice of motion for 25.01.2021....”

Counsel for the petitioner has submitted that, in pursuance to the order dated 02.12.2020, the petitioner has appeared before the Investigating Officer and has joined the investigation.

Counsel for the petitioner has further submitted that the petitioner has also deposited the FDRs before the Illaqa Magistrate.

Counsel for the State assisted by counsel for the complainant and on instructions from ASI Balkar Singh, has not disputed the aforesaid fact and submits that the petitioner is no more required for further investigation.

In view of the above, this petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner vide order dated 02.12.2020 is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No