

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.51602 of 2021

Date of Decision:15.12.2021

Gurmeet Kaur @ Meeto @ Bably

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Ms. Manpreet Ghuman, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition that has been filed for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.254 dated 19.10.2021 registered under Sections 379-B, 34 of the IPC at Police Station Anaj Mandi, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the said FIR and is in custody since 19.10.2021. It is stated that co-accused namely Jaspreet Kaur @ Toti has already been granted bail by this Court in **CRM-M No.48276 of 2021 on 01.12.2021**. Moreover, the matter has been compromised between the parties and a separate petition i.e. CRM-M No.48825 of 2021 on the basis of compromise has been filed, which is pending consideration. It is submitted that matter has been investigated and challan stands presented and trial is likely to take some time to conclude, therefore, prays for grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the respondent-State would oppose grant of regular bail to the petitioner while pointing to the seriousness of allegations levelled against her, however, she does not dispute the fact that the matter has been investigated and challan stands presented. On the asking of this Court, whether co-accused has been granted bail, she is not able to dispute the said statement.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties. Keeping in view the fact that matter has been investigated and challan stands presented; co-accused has already been granted bail by this Court and the trial is likely to take some time to conclude besides the fact that the matter has been allegedly compromised between the parties, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars any longer. The instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on her execution of adequate personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of concerned trial court/Duty Magistrate.

However, any observation made herein shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on merits of the case.

December 15, 2021
P.Bhatt

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No