

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

**CRM-M-5081-2022
Date of decision: 04.04.2022**

Kiran

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. Vaibhav Sharma, Advocate for
Mr. R. K. Jaswal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Jasraj Singh, Advocate
for the complainant.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

The petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 156 dated 19.09.2021, registered under Sections 306 and 34 of the IPC at Police Station Sadar Hoshiarpur, District Hoshiarpur.

The operative part of the order dated 14.02.2022, vide which the petitioner has been granted interim bail, is reproduced below:

“The petitioner in this petition is the mother-in-law of the deceased, i.e. the mother of Heena Teji, who has been ordered to be admitted to bail hereinabove.

Though learned counsel for the complainant also opposes her being admitted to bail on the ground that she is also very much implicated in the suicide note and video recording of the deceased, and her case is therefore on par with Kunal Teji and Paramjit, whose petition has been dismissed hereinabove, again only for the reason that she is a woman and her custodial interrogation may not reveal

anything much other than what the custodial interrogation of her coaccused, i.e. her son Kunal Teji and the aforesaid Paramjit may reveal, without making any comment on the merits of this case also, the petitioner is directed to join investigation within one week and upon her so joining, in case she is sought to be arrested, she shall be released on interim bail, upon her furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the arresting officer/Duty Magistrate, till the next date of hearing.

She shall also comply with all conditions stipulated in Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

If the arresting officer does not join the petitioner in investigation, she would appear before the learned Ilqa Magistrate immediately, who would then summon the arresting officer and direct him to join her in investigation.

Adjourned to 04.04.2022.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, in pursuance to the order dated 14.02.2022, has already appeared before the SHO/Investigating Officer and has joined the investigation.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, has not disputed the factual position and submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no more required for any further investigation.

However, learned counsel for the complainant submits that bail applications of two of the similarly situated co-accused have been dismissed by this Court and the only ground for granting interim bail to the petitioner was that she is a lady.

Be whatsoever, without making any comment on the merits of the case, considering the fact that the petitioner has joined investigation and

she is no more required for any further investigation, the present petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner, vide order dated 14.02.2022, is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

04.04.2022

Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No