

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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**CRM-M-27898-2020 (O&M)
DATE OF DECISION: 12.01.2022**

SUKHI RANI

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. J.S. Bhandohal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mrs. Amarjit Kaur Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Abhaysher Singh Gill, Legal Aid counsel
for the complainant.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.141 dated 31.07.2020, under Sections 420 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Kotwali Nabha, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herself was a victim and the money was paid to one Manoj Kumar, who is proprietor of Global Placement Agency Private Limited, on the promise of sending daughter of the complainant abroad. The petitioner herself had paid money to Manoj Kumar to go abroad with the daughter of the complainant. The petitioner is a lady and does not have criminal antecedents.

Learned counsel for the complainant states that in view of the serious allegation against the petitioner, she is not entitled to the concession of anticipatory bail. He also contends that there is reasonable apprehension that the petitioner might leave the country.

This Court, by the order dated 18.11.2021, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of her arrest, she was to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Mewa Singh, contends that the petitioner has joined investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 18.11.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. She shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so. The petitioner shall also surrender her passport with the trial court.

The petition stands disposed of.

Criminal miscellaneous application, if any, also stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

12.01.2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No