

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(207-1)

CRM-M-38844-2021 (O&M)

Date of decision: 05.04.2022

Meera Devi

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present:- Mr. Ishan Khetarpal, Advocate for
Mr. Paras Jhamb, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Amandeep Singh Gill, Senior Deputy Advocate General,
Punjab.

Mr. Ashok Kumar Khunger, Advocate for the complainant.

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SUVIR SEHGAL, J. (Oral)

CRM-33959-2021 & CRM-39204-2021

Applications are allowed as prayed for.

Annexures P-4 to P-7 are taken on record.

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While granting interim protection to the petitioner, this Court
passed the following order on 07.12.2021:-

*“Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner, who is mother-in-law of the deceased, had been
implicated in the FIR in question, by the complainant (brother
of the deceased) in the heat of the moment subsequent to the
occurrence in question. Learned counsel submits that the*

deceased consumed poison in her parental home and hence the petitioner could not in any way be held liable for the death of the deceased.

Learned counsel for the complainant has not controverted the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner that it was in the heat of the moment that the complainant levelled false allegations against the petitioner of harassing his deceased sister.

On a pointed query put to learned State counsel assisted by the counsel for the complainant, she has admitted that prior to the occurrence in question, there was nothing on record to suggest that any complaint had been made by the deceased qua alleged harassment meted out to the deceased.

Adjourned to 05.04.2022.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation and appear before the investigating agency as and when called upon to do so. In the event of her arrest, she shall be admitted to interim bail on her furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

Upon instructions from Head Constable, Sunil Kumar, State Counsel submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

In view of above facts, but without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. Order dated 07.12.2021 is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438 (2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

05.04.2022
Pardeep

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable	Yes/No