

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

**CRM-M-44284-2021
Date of decision: 20.01.2022**

Rajwant Kaur alias Raj

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. S. S. Hira, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

(Through video conferencing)

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

The petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 131 dated 12.05.2020, registered under Sections 309 IPC (subsequently amended to Section 306 IPC) at Police Station Model Town Hoshiarpur, District Hoshiarpur.

The operative part of the order dated 29.10.2021, vide which the petitioner has been granted interim bail, is reproduced below:

“Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as per allegations in the FIR, registered at the instance of complainant Karam Chand, it is stated that his wife died 15 years ago and thereafter, he had developed a physical relationship with petitioner Rajwant Kaur @ Raj and he used to provide financial help to the petitioner. It is further stated that on the date of incident when he had gone to petitioner, she started abusing him and thereafter, he came out of the house and poured petrol on his body and set himself on fire. Later on, he died and the offence under

Section 306 IPC was added.

Learned counsel further submits that during investigation, the DSP, vide report dated 20.06.2020, has come to a conclusion that there is no fault on the part of the petitioner as there was no provocation on her part, rather it was the deceased who was keeping petrol with him and by writing a suicide note, in which he has stated that he poured petrol on his body and set himself on fire, committed suicide.

List again on 19.01.2022.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, in pursuance to the order dated 29.10.2021, has already appeared before the SHO/Investigating Officer and has joined the investigation.

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

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner, vide order dated 29.10.2021, is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

20.01.2022

Waseem Ansari

**(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No