

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

(210)

CRM-M-5019 of 2023
DATE OF DECISION:-17.04.2023

Ritu Jeta

...Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. S. S. Kamboj, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Tarun Aggarwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

HARKESH MANUJA, J.

By way of present petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, petitioner prays for grant of pre-arrest bail in case FIR No.0008 dated 12.01.2023 under Section 420 IPC, registered at Police Station Cantonment, District Amritsar.

This Court, while issuing notice of motion on 01.02.2023, passed the following order :

“Referring to the audit report annexure P-2 at page 16, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that most of the loans in question were not recommended by the Assistant Manager, i.e. the petitioner, who was competent to do so at the given point of time and thus, had no role to play in the offence as alleged against her.

Notice of motion for 17.04.2023.

In the meanwhile, petitioner will join investigation before the Investigating Officer as and when called. In the event of her arrest, the Arresting Officer would admit her to interim bail, till the next date of hearing, on her furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to his satisfaction. The petitioner is directed to abide by all the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that in pursuance of order dated 01.02.2023 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined investigation.

The above factual position is duly acknowledged by learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Karam Singh, P.S. Cantonment, Amritsar, by submitting that the petitioner has joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is no longer required in this case.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed. Interim order dated 01.02.2023 is hereby made absolute, subject to all the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

17.04.2023
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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
whether reportable: Yes/No