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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-36681-2023
Date of decision: 07.12.2023

REETA RANI

...Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present:- Ms. Kirandeep Kaur, Advocate for
Mr. Kamaldip Singh Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurdarshan Singh Sidhu, AAG, Punjab.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (Oral)

Short reply has been filed by way of affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police (SD), Barnala, District Barnala by the learned State counsel in Court today, which is taken on record.

Learned State counsel has stated on instructions from ASI Jasbir Singh that in pursuance of the order passed by this Court on 31.07.2023, the petitioner has already joined investigation and she is fully cooperating with the investigation process and she is not required for custodial interrogation.

The quantity involved in the present case appears to be 300 grams of *heroin* from the other co-accused, which falls in the category of commercial quantity. Since a statement has been made by the learned State counsel on instructions that the petitioner is not required for custodial interrogation and has

not opposed the grant of anticipatory bail, the bar contained under Section 37 of the NDPS Act will not apply to the petitioner.

In view of the above, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 31.07.2023, is hereby made absolute.

07.12.2023
Chetan Thakur

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

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