

S. No.226

2023:PHHC:163968

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

CRM-M-63171 of 2023

Date of Decision:20.12.2023

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.....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Ankit Kharbanda, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. P.S. Pandher, AAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J. (Oral)

By way of present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., petitioner has prayed for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.0104 dated 26.06.2022 registered under Section(s) 306 and 34 IPC at Police Station Gate Hakima, District Amritsar.

As per prosecution allegations, Jatinder Singh alias Captain committed suicide on 26.06.2022. FIR has been lodged on the complaint made by mother of the deceased alleging therein that deceased was married with Sonia and that said Sonia and her family members were committing atrocities upon the deceased. Deceased also left behind an audio message recorded in his mobile, in which he blamed his wife, mother-in-law, brother-in-law and one Bau to be responsible for taking the extreme step.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that petitioner is the mother-in-law of the deceased. There is no specific allegation against the petitioner as to in what manner, the atrocities were committed upon the deceased by the petitioner. Learned counsel further contends that similarly placed co-accused Sandeep alias Sunny, who is brother-in-law of the deceased; and Sonia,

who is wife of the deceased, have already been allowed bail by Court of Sessions vide orders dated 24.01.2023 and 22.02.2023, copies of which are Annexures P.2 (colly).

Notice of motion.

Mr. P.S. Pandher, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent- State. Custody certificate has been placed on record.

Learned State Counsel could not refute the afore-said contentions, particularly, the fact that case of the petitioner is also on parity with that of wife and brother-in-law of the deceased.

Apart from above, custody certificate placed on record also reveals that petitioner is in custody for the last 01 years 05 months and 25 days with no criminal antecedents.

Having regard to the afore-said facts and circumstances of the case and particularly on the basis of parity, but without commenting anything on the merits of the case, present petition is allowed. Petitioner is admitted to bail on her furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/ Duty Magistrate concerned, on usual terms and conditions.

December 20, 2023
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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No