



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

CRM-M-20525-2024

Date of decision: 02.07.2024

LALITA@ SANGEETA

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present: - Mr. Manoj Tanwar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Surender Singh, AAG, Haryana.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
121	20.02.2024	20 B(ii) C of NDPS Act	City Rohtak, District Rohtak, Haryana.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that in compliance to the order dated 21.05.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Jaivir, informs the Court that the petitioner has joined investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial investigation.

4. During the course of hearing on 21.05.2024, following order was passed:

“3. *It is inter alia contended by learned*



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counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is an innocent lady having no role to play in the alleged transaction. He contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR nor was she named in the first disclosure statement made by accused Rajesh son of Balwan. However, in the subsequent/second disclosure statement made by him, the name of the petitioner has figured. He contends that there is nothing against the petitioner except for the bald disclosure statement and although, the petitioner is facing one more case under NDPS Act but therein also she was nominated on the basis of disclosure statement and is on bail vide order dated 05.08.2020 (Anneuxre P-3). He further contends that the petitioner is ready to join the investigation.

4. *Per contra, learned State counsel, by referring to the reply submitted by the State and on instructions from SI Jaiveer Singh, submits that the petitioner has been nominated in the second disclosure statement made by accused Rajesh Kumar and there are sufficient evidence and as such prayed for dismissal of the application.*

5. *After considering the respective submissions and perusing the record and without commenting on the merits of the case at this stage, the petitioner is directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of her arrest, she is ordered to be released on interim bail on her furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. She shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.*

6. *List on 02.07.2024. ”*

5. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioner had joined the investigation consequent to the order dated 21.05.2024 passed by this Court, interim



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bail granted vide order dated 21.05.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. Further the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioner; she will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

6. The petition stands allowed.
7. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

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- i) Whether speaking/reasoned?

Yes/No
- ii) Whether reportable?

Yes/No