



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

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CRM-M-21214-2023 (O&M)

Date of decision: October 4th, 2024

Anju Chowdhary

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of UT Chandigarh and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Sujeet Kumar, Advocate
for Mr. Amar Vivek, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajeev Anand, Additional Public Prosecutor,
U.T. Chandigarh

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner is seeking quashing of order dated 12.10.2022 (Annexure P-12) passed by learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Chandigarh, whereby the petitioner had been declared as proclaimed offender in case FIR No.182 dated 17.11.2021 under Sections 420, 120-B of the IPC registered at Police Station Sector 34, Chandigarh.

2. Learned standing counsel appearing for the U.T. Chandigarh has at the outset submitted that the petitioner has been declared a proclaimed offender in multiple cases. In one of the cases, the petitioner had earlier approached this Court by way of CRM-M-21219-2023, whereby she had been granted time to appear before the trial Court concerned within a stipulated time frame and had also been given interim protection, however, she for reasons best known, had chosen to disregard the orders of this Court as it was a matter of record that till date, she had not appeared and surrendered



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before the Court concerned. Learned counsel has submitted that as on date, the petitioner continues to be a proclaimed offender in all the three cases, which stand registered against her. Learned standing counsel for U.T. Chandigarh has drawn the attention of this Court to the reply dated 23.05.2023, wherein the order passed by this Court in *CRM-M-21219-2023* titled as *Anju Chowdhary Versus State of UT Chandigarh and another* stands reproduced.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has not been able to dispute that despite the orders passed by this Court in CRM-M-21219-2023 way back on 27.04.2023, till date, the petitioner has failed to appear and surrender before the trial Court.

4. In the circumstances, the instant petition stands dismissed.

October 4th, 2024
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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes

Whether reportable : No