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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-21206-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 30.04.2024

Neelam Bansal

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Harshit Jain, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking quashing of FIR No.68 dated 25.09.2021 under Sections 498-A, 406, 201 of IPC, registered at Police Station Women, Patiala, District Patiala (Annexure P-1) and the subsequent proceedings initiated thereupon, including the final report dated 11.01.2024 (Annexure P-2).
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner wishes to withdraw the present petition and seeks liberty to raise all the pleas taken in the present petition at the appropriate stage during the course of trial. However, he confines his prayer to the extent that the petitioner is a household lady and is aged about 63 years and is resident of District Barnala, whereas the trial of the case is

pending at Patiala and attending the trial on each and every date would cause great inconvenience and hardship to her and prays that personal appearance of the petitioner before the learned trial Court may be exempted.

3. In view of the above, the instant petition is dismissed as withdrawn with the liberty aforesaid. However, in view of the ratio laid down by this Court in CRM-M-25963-2023 titled as ***Suresh Kumar and another Vs. The State of Haryana and another, 2023 (2) Law Herald 1498***, personal appearance of the petitioner before the learned trial Court is ordered to be exempted, subject to the following conditions:-

- i) petitioner shall be represented through her counsel;*
- ii) shall not delay/stall the trial proceedings;*
- iii) shall not dispute her identity as accused;*
- iv) shall have no objection if the prosecution evidence is recorded in her absence but in the presence of her counsel;*
- v) shall appear before the trial Court as and when required; and*
- vi) any other condition, which the trial Court may impose.*

30.04.2024
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[HARPREET SINGH BRAR]
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No