



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-24035-2024
Date of Decision : 22.10.2024

KELA DEVI ALIAS KELO DEVI
.....Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA
.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. Satyawan Singh Nain, Advocate,
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Bhupender Singh, DAG, Haryana.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J.(Oral)

1. On 14.05.2024, this Court had passed the hereinafter
extracted order, upon the instant petition:-

- “1. Through the instant petition, as instituted under Section 438 of the Cr.P.C., the petitioner seeks the concession of anticipatory bail, in case FIR No.296 dated 16.11.2022, under Sections 149, 420, 193, 195 and 120-B of the IPC, registered at P.S. Nigdhu, Karnal, District Karnal.
- 2. The learned counsel for the petitioner primarily submits that since a number of petitioner’s co-accused (who are signatories to the affidavit, contents whereof are alleged to be incorrect) have already been granted the concession of interim bail by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court and even by this Court also, therefore, the petitioner, who is not even a signatory to the affidavit concerned, deserves her being given an alike treatment. He further submits that a purely civil dispute has been camouflaged as a criminal litigation. Moreover, no wrongful loss has been caused to the complainant and her share is still intact.
- 3. Notice of motion for 22.10.2024.
- 4. Mr. Bhupender Singh, D.A.G., Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State of Haryana.

5. In the meantime, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation and to appear before the investigating agency, as and when called upon to do so. In the event of her arrest, she shall be admitted to interim bail on her furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

6. To be heard along with CRM-M-18851-2024. ”

2. Today, the learned State counsel has, on instructions imparted to him by the official concerned, stated that pursuant to the making of the hereinabove extracted order, the petitioner(s) had joined investigation and she is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

3. In view of the above, the hereinabove extracted interim order dated 14.05.2024, is hereby made **absolute**, subject to the hereinafter extracted conditions:-

“(i) the petitioner(s) shall not commit an offence similar to the present offence;

(ii) the petitioner(s) shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case;

(iii) the petitioner(s) shall make himself/herself available for interrogation by a police officer as and when required.”

4. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioner(s) indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.

5. Needless to say that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.

6. All pending application(s), if any, also stand **disposed** of accordingly.

October 22, 2024

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(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned.	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable.	:	Yes/No