



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-38064-2024
Date of decision: 12.09.2024

MEENA SAINI ...PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB ...RESPONDENTS

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present: - Mr. Naresh, Advocate for
Mr. K.S. Dadwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-5) as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
53	19.04.2024	18(c), 21 of NDPS Act and Section 27-A of NDPS Act added later on; Section 25 of Arms Act	Satnampura, District Kapurthala.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 27.08.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide order dated 27.08.2024.

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions received from SI Labh Singh, intimates the Court that the petitioner has joined investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.



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4. During the course of hearing on 27.08.2024 , following order was passed:

“Heard.

SI Labh Singh, the Investigating Officer of the case is present in Court and has has categorically stated that except for disclosure statement of coaccused, which is already annexed with the status report as Annexure R-1, there is nothing on record to substantiate the same.

In view of the facts, without commenting on the merits of the case, it is deemed appropriate that the petitioner should join the investigation first before deciding the petition on merits. Accordingly, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and co-operate in the same. In the event of the arrest of the petitioner, she shall 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 482(2) BNSS.

List on 12.09.2024.”

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 27.08.2024 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 27.08.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023. Further the



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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 |