

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

106-2

CRM-M-41439-2023
Date of Decision : February 14, 2024

GEETA AND ANR -PETITIONERS

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB -RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Mr. Dinesh Nagar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Pardeep Bajaj, D.A.G., Punjab

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (ORAL)

1. On 18.01.2024, this Court had passed the hereinafter
extracted order, upon the instant petition:-

*“On 22.08.2023, a co-ordinate Bench of this Court stayed
the arrest of the petitioners till the next date of hearing.*

*Today, learned State counsel, on instructions imparted to
him by ASI Ashok Kumar, informs this Court that the FSL report
qua authenticity of the suicide note, has not been received despite
several reminders sent to the authority concerned.*

*The petitioners, who are mother-in-law and father-in-law
seeking the relief of anticipatory bail have been arrayed as
accused in the FIR solely on the basis of the suicide note.*

Adjourned to 14.02.2024.

*In the meanwhile, the petitioners are directed to join the
investigation and co-operate with the investigating officer and on
their doing so, the petitioners be released on interim bail subject
to their furnishing personal bonds and surety to the satisfaction of
Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioners shall
continue to join the investigation as and when called upon to do
so, and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section*

438(2) Cr.P.C.
To be shown in the urgent list.”

2. Today, the learned State counsel, on instructions imparted to him by A.S.I. Dharminder Singh, has stated that pursuant to the making of the hereinabove extracted order, the petitioners had joined investigation and they are no longer required for custodial interrogation.
3. In view of the above, the hereinabove extracted interim order dated 18.01.2024, as made by this Court, is made hereby absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.
4. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioners 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.

February 14, 2024
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(KULDEEP TIWARI)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No