

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M No. 46787-2023 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 23.04.2024

Babbi @ Sunita Rani

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Anmol Hayer, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J.(ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail under Section 438 of the Cr.P.C. in case FIR No. 57 dated 14.07.2023 under Sections 302 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Chamkaur Sahib, District Rupnagar.

2. Vide order dated 20.09.2023 the petitioner had been granted interim anticipatory bail with direction to join investigation and the relevant part of the said order reads as under:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the FIR in question was lodged by Daljeet Rai, who is the father of Reema Kumari (since deceased); that the petitioner has no role to play in the alleged occurrence; that the petitioner is the sister-in-law of the deceased; that marriage of the petitioner was solemnized in the year 2005 and since then she has been residing in her matrimonial house at Village Bassi Pathana, District Fatehgarh Sahib, whereas the marriage of Reema Kumari was solemnized with Sharanjit @ Kaku (brother of the petitioner) in the year 2015; that during her lifetime, Reema

Kumari had never made any complaint against the petitioner and that co-accused, namely, Joban @ Gagandeep Kaur, has since been granted the concession of anticipatory bail by this Court vide order dated 10.08.2023.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 20.09.2023, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.
4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Ranjeet Singh, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. He on further instructions submits that the petitioner is not required for further investigation much less for his custodial interrogation.
5. In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 20.09.2023, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

23.04.2024

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)

Rajeev (rvs)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No