



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-50909-2024
Date of decision: 12.12.2024

NEHA VERMAPETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJABRESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present: - Mr. D.P.S. Mann, Advocate and
Mr. Ajayinder S. Dhillon, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Parminder Singh, Advocate for the complainant.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

Status report dated 11.12.2024 in the form of an affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, City-I, Bathinda, has been filed. The same is taken on record. Copy thereof has been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioner.

2. By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
113	08.09.2024	329 (4), 331 (6), 324 (4), 351 (2), 191 (3), 190 of BNS, 2023.	Kotwali Bathinda, District Bathinda.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 28.10.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide order dated 28.10.2024.



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4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Baljit Singh, intimates the Court that the petitioner has joined investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.

5. Learned counsel for the complainant has opposed the petition on the ground that keeping in view the gravity of the offence, the petition does not deserves the concession of bail.

6. During the course of hearing on 28.10.2024, following order was passed:

“6. It is, inter alia, contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case. He contends that no specific overt act has been attributed to the petitioner. He contends that the main allegation pertains to be against the husband of the petitioner, namely Manoj Verma, who has since been granted regular bail. He contends that even as per the FIR allegations against the petitioner are qua abuses only.

7. Learned counsel representing the aggrieved victim assisted by learned State counsel has referred to the photographs wherein the petitioner is shown standing along with the other lady. Learned State counsel has referred to the reply filed by the State and prayed for dismissal of the petition.

8. Adjourned to 21.11.2024.

9. In the meanwhile, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of her arrest, she is ordered to be released on interim bail on her furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. She shall also

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abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023 (BNSS).

10. Investigating Officer (concerned) to remain present in Court along with relevant records on the date fixed. ”

7. 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 28.10.2024 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 28.10.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023. Further the 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.

8. The petition stands allowed.

9. 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

12.12.2024
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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |