

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-56976-2023
Date of decision:21.02.2024

Simranjeet Kaur @ Simran NandaPetitioner

Versus

State of PunjabRespondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. J.S.Virk, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Ms. Nandini Sharma, Advocate for
Mr. Umesh Aggarwal, Advocate
for the complainant.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 113 dated 03.08.2023 for the offences under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines, District Patiala.
2. On the last date of hearing, while noticing the following submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court had granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioner and asked her to join investigation:-

“Learned counsel inter alia contends that it is not disputed by the complainant as well, that the petitioner was an employee of M/s Thapar Travels and the amount, which had been demanded by her employer for sending the

complainant abroad, had no doubt been transferred in her account, but subsequently, it had been further transferred in the bank account of her employer.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 15.11.2023, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

4. On a pointed query put to learned State counsel, he, on instructions from ASI Gurmej Singh submits that no amount has ever been deposited in the bank account of the petitioner. He also 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 does not have any criminal antecedents and is not required for further investigation much less for her custodial interrogation.

5. In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 15.11.2023 is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

21.02.2024
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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No