

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.60135 of 2023
Date of decision: 20th February, 2024

Vanita Vishal
... Petitioner
Versus
State of Punjab
... Respondent

CORAM: HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Gulzar Mohammad, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. Dy. Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State.
Mr. Anurag Arora, Advocate for the complainant.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.198 dated 01.11.2023 under Sections 406, 420, 467, 468, 471, 120-B of the IPC registered at Police Station Sadar Jalandhar, District Jalandhar.

2. On 30.11.2023, this Court had noticed the following submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner:

“Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that the petitioner has been dragged into the case in hand only because she happens to be the wife of the prime accused i.e. Rohit. It has been submitted that she had no role to play in the alleged crime which is further fortified from the fact that not even a single penny was transferred in her name out of the money which co-accused Rohit obtained from different people.”

3. On a pointed query put to the learned State counsel, who is assisted by learned counsel for the complainant, as to whether any amount had been deposited directly into the account of the petitioner, he on instructions from ASI Vipin Kumar, has replied in the negative. Learned State counsel, on further instructions submits that the petitioner is not required for her custodial interrogation.

4. In the circumstances, it is directed that in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petition stands allowed subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

February 20, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No