

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-1302-2025 (O&M)

Date of Decision:-22.04.2025

Bhajan Kaur

.Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present:- Mr. H.S. Mander, Advocate for
Mr. H.S. Multani, Advocate for the petitioner..

Mr. P.S. Bhandari, AAG, Punjab.

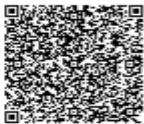
JASGURPREET SINGH PURI J.(Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.154 dated 29.11.2024 under Sections 64, 103(1) and 238 of BNS 2023, registered at Police Station Rahon, District SBS Nagar, Punjab.

2. At the outset, Ms. Deepika, Advocate, submitted that she had appeared on behalf of the complainant on the last date of hearing and had filed a memo of appearance. However, she now wishes to withdraw her appearance and is seeking permission of the Court to do so .

3. The prayer of Ms. Deepika, Advocate, is accepted. She is permitted to withdraw her memo of appearance and is accordingly discharged from the present case.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an old lady of the age of 69 years and the allegations against her are that her grandson, who is of the age of 16 years, had allegedly committed rape upon a girl who became unconscious and



thereafter died. As far as the allegations against the petitioner are concerned, the same were pertaining to connivance, whereas in fact, the position was otherwise because she herself had informed the parents of the girl with regard to the offence. She also submitted that the grandson of the petitioner, against whom allegations of rape were made, has already been arrested. He further submitted that in pursuance of the order passed by this Court on 14.01.2025, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and has fully cooperated with the investigation process.

5. On the other hand, learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Rajender Pal, PS Rahon, SBS Nagar, submitted that in pursuance of the order passed by this Court on 14.01.2025, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and has fully cooperated with the investigation process and she is not required for further custodial interrogation.

6. After hearing learned counsels for the parties, this Court is of the view that, considering the allegations against the present petitioner with regard to her role, the age of the petitioner i.e. 69 years and the fact that as per the stand taken by learned State counsel on instructions, the petitioner is not required for custodial interrogation because she has already joined the investigation, the present petition is allowed. The interim order dated 14.01.2025 passed by this Court is hereby made absolute.

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

22.04.2025

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