



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-3152-2022

Date of Decision : November 19, 2025

ASHIMA MALHOTRA

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present : None for the petitioner.

Ms. Navreet Kaur Barnala, AAG, Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (Oral)

1. The prayer in the present petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for issuance of directions to the trial Court to grant exemption from personal appearance to the petitioner in FIR No.2 dated 16.01.2020, under Sections 406, 420-B of IPC, Police Station Mulepur, District Fatehgarh Sahib, Punjab.
2. None appears for the petitioner.
3. The learned State counsel submits that the case is listed for prosecution evidence today.
4. In view of the above, I do not deem it appropriate to issue direction to the trial Court to grant exemption from personal appearance to the petitioner as she is a habitual offender with multiple cases having been registered against her.
5. Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

November 19, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No