



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

CRM-M-8923-2025

Date of decision: 18.03.2025

GEETA RANI ALIAS GEETA

...PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. F.S. Virk, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C.,
petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
147	09.11.2024	406, 420 of IPC	City Samana, District Patiala.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 17.02.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide order dated 17.02.2025.

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

4. During the course of hearing on 17.02.2025, following order was passed:



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“ 2. 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 further contends that the petitioner is a lady aged about 40 years having no criminal antecedents. He contends that even as per the allegation in the FIR no specific overt act is attributed to the petitioner and the allegations therein are against the husband of the petitioner which are otherwise manifestly wrong.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that the property was purchased in the name of the petitioner, wherein the complainant was inducted as a tenant and as the tenant failed to pay the amount of rent, a complaint was moved to the police. As a counter-blast thereto, instant FIR has been got registered by levelling concocted allegations.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is ready to join the investigation.

5. Notice of motion.

6. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Rajinder Singh Bhatta, DAG Punjab, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondent

7. Adjourned to 18.03.2025.

8. Needful be done well before the date fixed with an advance copy to the counsel opposite.

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 abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of BNS.

5. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioner had joined the investigation

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consequent to the order dated 17.02.2025 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 17.02.2025 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.

6. The petition stands allowed.

7. 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

18.03.2025

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