

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M No. 37591 of 2016
Date of decision: 30.11.2016**

Palwinder Singh @ Pinda

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Sumeet Puri, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Arshdeep S. Kler, DAG, Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

Petitioner Palwinder Singh @ Pinda has filed the present petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 136 dated 20.09.2015, registered under Sections 363, 366-A and 120-B of the IPC at Police Station Civil Lines, Batala, District Batala.

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the prosecutrix-Manveer Kaur and the petitioner had got married and have suffered a statement before this Court seeking protection which was granted them by an order dated 13.10.2015 and, therefore, it cannot be said that the petitioner has committed the crime of kidnapping of a minor girl.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Arshdeep S. Kler, DAG, Punjab, has appeared on behalf of respondent-State and contested the bail application. Custody certificate has been filed showing that the petitioner herein is in custody since 19.10.2015 and has undergone about thirteen and half month.

In view of the fact that statement of the prosecutrix has already been recorded and the petitioner is in custody since 19.10.2015 and further that the trial is likely to take some time, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody furthermore.

Therefore, keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case and without expressing any opinion on the merit of the case, the present petition is accepted and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Chief Judicial Magistrate/learned trial Court concerned.

Petition stands disposed of.

November 30, 2016

Ansari

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes

Whether reportable

No