

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

**CRM-M-41311-2016
Date of decision: 30.11.2016**

Ankaj Saini

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. A.S. Manaise, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. A.P.S. Gill, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. R.S. Manhas, Advocate,
for the complainant.

Ritu Bahri, J.

This petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R No.62 dated 10.09.2016, under Sections 363, 366-A, 376, 120-B IPC and Section 4 of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, registered at Police Station, Division No.1, District Pathankot.

Prosecutrix has put in appearance and she has been identified by ASI Balwinder Kumar, who is present in Court today. She states that at present, she is residing in her in-laws house at Pathankot.

Learned State counsel, on instructions, has informed that date of birth of the prosecutrix is 16.11.1998 and she has completed 18 years on 16.11.2016. Being major, she is happily residing in her in-laws house.

The petitioner is in custody since 15.09.2016.

Keeping in view that the prosecutrix is residing happily in her matrimonial house and the fact that trial may still take some time for its conclusion, this court feels that there is no need to detain the petitioner any longer. Accordingly, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be enlarged on bail to the satisfaction of Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Pathankot.

30.11.2016
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(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

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