

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

**CRM-M-16592 of 2017
Date of Decision: 31.05.2017**

Sunil Kumar

.....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present:- Mr.J.S.Dahiya, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr.J.S.Sekhon, AAG, Punjab.

RITU BAHRI, J. (ORAL)

The prayer in the instant petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.26 dated 16.03.2016 for the offence under Sections 363, 366A, 376 IPC and Section 6 of POCSO Act, registered at Police Station Sarabha Nagar, Ludhiana.

Petitioner is in custody since 23.03.2016. The prosecutrix was 17 years old at the time of incident. In her statement under Section 164 Cr.P.C., she had deposed that she had gone with the petitioner with her own free will from Ludhiana to Kalka.

Learned State counsel submits that out of 14 witnesses, 3 witnesses have been examined including the complainant and prosecutrix.

Keeping in view the above and considering the fact that trial is not likely to mature in near future, petitioner be released on regular bail on furnishing his fresh bail bonds/sureties to the satisfaction of Duty Magistrate/Illaq Magistrate, Ludhiana.

**(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE**

31.05.2017
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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>