

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

CRM -M-16926 of 2017

Date of Decision: 25.5.2017

Jasbir Kaur @ Jassi

---Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

---Respondent

Coram: Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Rekha Mittal

Present: Mr. J.S.Bhinder, Advocate
for the petitioner

Mr. Ankur Jain, AAG, Punjab

Rekha Mittal, J.

The petitioner prays for grant of regular bail in FIR No. 155 dated 3.7.2016 for offence under Sections 363, 366, 420, 370, 371, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code (in short "IPC") registered at Police Station, Civil Lines, Patiala.

Counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is in custody since 4.7.2016. The co-accused in the case namely Jaswinder Kaur has been allowed regular bail by this court on 19.12.2016. The complainant is stated to have already been examined; conclusion of the trial is likely to take sometime. The law with regard to grant of bail to a woman is more liberal. The petitioner is ready to face proceedings, in accordance with law.

Counsel for the State has opposed the prayer for bail with the submission that the petitioner had taken an amount of Rs. 15,000/- for forcibly performing marriage of the victim and an amount of Rs. 7,000/-

has been recovered. He is not in a position to confirm if the complainant has been examined or not.

Counsel for the petitioner, in reply, would submit that he has got copy of statement of the complainant recorded during trial.

Be that as it may, co-accused namely Jaswinder Kaur against whom similar allegations have been levelled has already been allowed bail by this Court. There is no allegation against the petitioner that she is likely to flee from process of justice, in case enlarged on bail.

Without commenting upon merits of the controversy, bail to the petitioner subject to satisfaction of the trial Court. However, she shall abide by the following conditions:-

- (i) She shall not offer any threat, promise or inducement to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing the same to the Investigating Officer/Court; and
- (ii) She shall not leave the limits of this country without prior permission of the Court.

Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(Rekha Mittal)
Judge

25.5.2017

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No