

Criminal Misc. M- No. 28585 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of decision : August 22, 2017

Jeyoti alias Kamini

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILLPresent: Mr. Vipul Dharmani, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Devinder Bir Singh, DAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 46 dated 15.05.2017 registered under Sections 366A, 376, 109 IPC, under Sections 4 & 5 of Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956 and under Sections 6 & 17 of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 at Police Station Anandpur Sahib, District Ropar.

It is submitted that the petitioner is a married lady, living in a different village. She is not named in the FIR. The petitioner's name has cropped up in the statement of the victim under Section 164 Cr.P.C. Moreover, it is submitted that the petitioner lost her husband in May, 2017 i.e. around the time when this FIR was registered. Therefore, this petition be allowed.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Charanji Lal submits that the entire sequence of events has been narrated by the victim, aged 14 years wherein it is specifically narrated that the petitioner used to reside in the victim's neighbourhood. She befriended the

victim being fully aware of the factum that the victim's father stayed out of the home most of the times. The victim was also introduced to the co-accused and she was lured into flesh trade.

Heard, learned counsel for the parties.

Contention of learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner was not named at the outset is of no avail as the FIR has admittedly been lodged at the instance of the father of the victim. The entire sequence of events has been fully narrated by the victim in her statement under Section 164 Cr.P.C. Specific allegations have been raised against the petitioner, which do not warrant the extension of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Accordingly, finding no merit, this petition is dismissed.

August 22, 2017
rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No