

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

**Criminal Misc. No.M-36858 of 2017(O&M)
Date of Decision: December 05, 2017.**

Ajay Kumar

Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab

Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr.Dhawaljeet Dutta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr.Rahul Rathore, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. L.S.Lakhanpal, Advocate
for the complainant.

LISA GILL, J.

The petitioner prays for bail pending trial in FIR No 79 dated 26.06.2016, under Sections 363, 366-A IPC (Section 376 IPC and Section 4 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, added later on), registered at Police Station Division No.2, District Pathankot.

It is submitted that the petitioner and the alleged victim in this case had friendly relations. In her statement under Section 164 Cr.P.C, the victim did not raise any allegation against the petitioner. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the victim has deposed before the learned trial Court, supporting the prosecution case only due to pressure of her own parents. Reference is made to

affidavit dated 21.05.2017 (Annexure P-2).

Be that as it may, learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Ram Lal, submits that prosecution evidence is almost complete and trial is likely to be concluded soon. Merely one out of 16 prosecution witnesses remain to be examined. The matter is fixed before the learned trial Court for 07.12.2017.

In this view of the matter, at this stage, I do not find any ground for affording the concession of bail pending trial to the petitioner.

Petition is accordingly dismissed.

05.12.2017
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[LISA GILL]
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No.

Whether reportable : Yes/No.