

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

Crl. Misc. M- 41471 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of Decision: November 13, 2017

Sandeep Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Ms. Puja Chopra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Davinder Bir Singh, DAG Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.75 dated 07.09.2016, under Sections 323, 325, 307, 341, 354, 376, 511, 201, 34 of Indian Penal Code and Section 3 of SC/ST Act, registered at Police Station Saddar Rajpura, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herein was taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR in the first week of September 2016. It is argued that statement of both the complainant and her sister have been recorded. It is also contended that co accused Rinku has already been allowed regular bail by this court in CRM-M-27509 of 2017 on 31.10.2017, therefore, the petitioner is entitled to be enlarged on bail.

Per contra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-

State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, opposes the grant of regular bail, while submitting that offences alleged against the petitioner are serious in nature.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since, the trial is likely to take some time and in view of the facts that statement of both the complainant and her sister have been recorded and co accused has already been granted regular bail, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars At this stage, without commenting on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

November 13, 2017
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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No