

Criminal Misc. M- No. 7929 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of decision : August 22, 2017

Paramjit Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

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

Mr. Devinder Bir Singh, DAG, Punjab.

None for the complainant.

LISA GILL, J.

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 303 dated 18.12.2016 registered under Sections 376, 366A, 363 IPC (Section 120B IPC and Sections 5/6 Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 added later) at Police Station City Faridkot, District Faridkot.

The contentions of the petitioner were noted while issuing notice of motion on 09.03.2017 as under:-

“Counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that as per allegations brought-forth by the prosecutrix aged about 18 years, she developed intimacy with Sukhdeep Singh Gill son of the present petitioner and developed physical relations for the first time on 23.06.2016. It is further submitted that the only allegation against the petitioner is that on 11.11.2016 when the petitioner was contacted, he said that he was not aware of

whereabouts of his son namely Sukhdeep Singh Gill. It is further submitted that there are no allegations against the petitioner with regard to offence of rape or kidnapping.”

It is informed that the petitioner has joined investigation pursuant to interim order dated 09.03.2017 and he shall face the proceedings in accordance with law. It is, thus, prayed that this petition be allowed.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Gurjant Singh, verifies that the petitioner has joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

There are no allegations on behalf of the State that the petitioner is likely to abscond or that he is likely to dissuade the witnesses from deposing true facts in the Court, if released on bail.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances noted above but without expressing any opinion on the merits of case, it is considered just and expedient to allow this petition. Consequently, order dated 09.03.2017 is made absolute.

August 22, 2017
rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No