

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

Crl. Misc. No.M-32975 of 2018

Date of decision : 08.08.2018

Ranvijay Yadav

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANITA CHAUDHRY

Present: Mr. K.B.S. Mann, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jagmohan Ghumman, DAG, Punjab.

ANITA CHAUDHRY, J(ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 256 dated 13.12.2017, registered under Sections 363, 366 IPC (Challan was only presented under Section 376 IPC), Police Station Canal Colony, Bathinda, District Bathinda.

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the complaint was lodged by the brother of the prosecutrix and the allegations were that his sister who was 17½ years old was missing and he suspected that the petitioner had taken her on the pretext of marriage. Counsel further contends that the FIR had been lodged after a delay of one month as the family knew that she had left the house on her own and the police had recovered the girl in January 2018. The counsel further submits that the statement under Section 164 Cr.P.C. was recorded three days after her recovery and she made statement against the petitioner but she refused her medical. Counsel further submits that the victim has been examined and they have placed on record the marriage certificate and it was a case of run away marriage.

The FIR has been lodged after a delay of one month. The petitioner claims that they had got married. The trial Court is yet to decide whether the victim had been enticed. The statement of the victim has been recorded. The trial would take time to conclude. Without commenting upon the merits of the case, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate, subject to the condition that the petitioner would not contact the victim or her family in any manner.

08.08.2018

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**(ANITA CHAUDHRY)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No