

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

Crl. Misc. No.M-34350 of 2018

Date of decision : 16.08.2018

Pawan Kumar

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANITA CHAUDHRY

Present: Ms. Garima Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Mahima Yashpal, AAG, Haryana.

ANITA CHAUDHRY, J(ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 17 dated 04.02.2017, registered under Sections 363, 366-A, 506 IPC and Sections 4, 16 of the POCSO Act, Women Police Station Ambala, District Ambala.

The counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is in custody since 31.03.2017. Counsel contends that in the initial version given by the victim there were allegations of rape against the petitioner but in the supplementary statement given on 20.02.2017, she had accused Kamal and Kishan. Counsel further contends that in the examination-in-chief the victim had turned hostile but in the cross-examination effected at the instance of the Public Prosecutor she had accused only Kamal and Krishan of Rape.

The trial would indeed 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.

16.08.2018

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**(ANITA CHAUDHRY)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No