

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

Crl. Misc. M-35328 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: August 21, 2018

Manpreet Singh @ Bunty

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Amit Choudhary, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. P.P. Chahar, DAG Haryana.

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.23 dated 21.02.2018, under Sections 363, 366-A of Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Jakhal, District Fatehabad.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herein was taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR on 01.03.2018. It is argued that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case, while relying upon the statement given by the prosecutrix i.e. daughter of the complainant that she has voluntarily left in the company of the petitioner herein. It is submitted that there are no allegations of 376 IPC in the present FIR. It is also contended that out of total 11 witnesses, all the material witnesses have been examined and conclusion of trial will take sufficient

time, 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 to the petitioner, however, does not dispute the fact that the material witnesses have been examined.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since, the trial is likely to take some time and in view of the facts that the petitioner herein has been in custody since 01.03.2018 and that all the material witnesses have been examined, 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.

August 21, 2018
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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No