

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

CrI. Misc. No.M- 36013 of 2018

Date of decision : 24.08.2018

Bittu Singh

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANITA CHAUDHRY

Present: Mr. Jasvir Singh Dhaliwal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jagmohan Ghumman, DAG, Punjab.

ANITA CHAUDHRY, J(ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 17 dated 03.03.2016, registered under Sections 363, 365 IPC further enhanced offences under Sections 376, 376-D IPC vide rapat no.20 dated 29.04.2016 further enhanced under Section 366 IPC and Section 5, 6 of the POCSO Act, Police Station Sardulgarh, District Mansa.

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is in custody for over a year and the trial is taking time. Counsel states that the girl was major and they had appeared before the District Magistrate and her statement was recorded. The counsel refers to Annexure P-3. The counsel further submits that the girl had made a statement that she did not want to go with her parents but had accompanied her grand-father. Counsel further states that the prosecutrix and the petitioner had got married and they have the photographs.

The investigation is over, challan has been presented. The complainant has been examined. The trial would take time. 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.

24.08.2018

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(ANITA CHAUDHRY)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No