

**207-b IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
 AT CHANDIGARH**

Criminal Misc. No. M- 37341 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of decision : April 02, 2018

Rupinder Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Mohd. Yousaf, Advocate
 for the petitioner.

Mr. Anmol Singh Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 84 dated 08.09.2017 under Sections 363, 366A, 376, 506, 109 IPC and Section 6 of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 registered at Police Station Sadar Ahmedgarh, District Sangrur.

Contentions on behalf of the petitioner noted at the time of issuance of notice of motion read as under:-

“ It is submitted that the complainant, in this case, solemnised marriage with the co-accused Sandeep Singh. They are both living happily in their matrimonial home. Even as per the allegations in the FIR, no offence punishable under Sections 363/366A/376/506/109 IPC and Section 6 of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 is made out against the petitioner.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has joined investigation pursuant to interim order passed by this Court. He is not involved in any other criminal case. It is, thus, prayed that this petition be allowed.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Gurpal Singh, confirms that the petitioner has joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required. It is verified that the complainant and the co-accused Sandeep Singh are living together after solemnisation of marriage. The petitioner is not reported to be involved in any other criminal case.

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 04.10.2018 is made absolute.

April 02, 2018
rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No