

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

CRM-M-38556-2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 30.10.2018

Akashdeep Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANITA CHAUDHRY

Present: Mr. Shaktri Mehta, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Jagmohan Ghuman, D.A.G., Punjab.

ANITA CHAUDHRY, J

Petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.65 dated 15.07.2018 registered under Sections 363, 366A IPC and Sections 3 & 4 of POCSO Act at Police Station Bakhshiwala, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is in custody since 18.07.2018 and challan has been presented and FSL report is negative. Counsel further submits that the girl was missing since 13.07.2018 and the FIR was registered two days later and recovery was effected on 18.07.2018 and the girl had made a statement under Section 164 Cr.P.C. in favour of the petitioner.

Learned State counsel informs that challan has been filed and FSL report is negative and the girl is minor.

No allegation of rape have been made against the petitioner and the FSL report is negative.

Trial would take time. Without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing surety and adequate bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Illaqa Magistrate/Duty Magistrate with a condition that the petitioner would not contact the prosecutrix directly or indirectly.

October 30, 2018

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**(ANITA CHAUDHRY)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No