

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

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CRM-M-16414-2019

Date of Decision:09.05.2019

Amandeep Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA.

**Present: Mr. Jagjit Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioner.**

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

**Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate,
for the complainant.**

HARI PAL VERMA, J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.22 dated 10.02.2019 under Sections 363, 366-A, 120-B IPC and Sections 6 & 8 of the POCSO Act, 2012, registered at Police Station Bhindi Saidan, District Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that the allegation if any is against Sarbjot Singh, who has enticed away the grand-daughter of the complainant. He states that the petitioner is in custody since 13.03.2019 and trial in the case will take sufficient long time.

Learned counsel for the complainant has argued that the petitioner is instrumental in enticing away the grand-daughter of the complainant and the whereabouts of main accused Sarbjot Singh are not known. Therefore, the petitioner does not deserve the concession of bail.

Learned State Counsel, on instructions from ASI Ajit Singh, does not dispute the custody period. However, he states that against main accused Sarbjot Singh, warrant of arrest has already been issued for 16.05.2019.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody since 13.03.2019 and trial in the case will take sufficient long time and against main accused Sarbjot Singh, warrant of arrest has already been issued for 16.05.2019, this Court finds that the petitioner deserves to be admitted on bail.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is admitted on regular bail, subject to furnishing of his bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court.

However, it is made clear that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case. The trial Court shall proceed with the trial independently without being influenced by the order of bail passed by this Court.

It is made clear that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not try to influence any prosecution witnesses directly or indirectly in any manner.

May 09, 2019
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(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No